Records of Mosul Station.

At an informal meeting of the male members of this station, on the 25th of Oct 1853, Mr Marsh was appointed to prepare a brief record of the past labors of Missionaries of the A.B.C.F.M. in Mosul to be submitted to the station.

It was voted that our future meetings be held every Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, & that they be opened & closed with prayer.

Adjourned.

D. W. M. Rec. Sec

Past labors at Mosul.

The first american missionary to penetrate the Assyrian field was Dr Grant, then laboring in behalf of the Mountain Nestorians. Mr Holmes met him at Diarbekir in 1839, just after the defeat of the Sultan's army at Nisib by Ibrahim Pasha. The Moslems tried to murder them in Mardin, but they took refuge in Dir Zaffran. Dr Grant came on alone to Mosul, & so went in oriental guise through Koordistan to Persia.

Messrs Hinsdale & Mitchell with their wives reached

Smyrna Mar 2d. 1841. on their way to join Dr Grant in Mosul. Mr Mitchell died on the way near Jezirah, & his grave is near Telbel. Mrs Mitchell lived to reach Mosul on a litter; but died six days after at the English Consulate, Mr Rassam's. Mr Hinsdale made some excursions in the mountains, but died after one year & five months, Dec 26. 1842.

Dr Grant on his second visit, reached Mosul Aug 25. 1841, made a Yezidee tour in the fall & returns to Persia - & in Sep 1842 to Tyari.

Mr & Mrs Laurie reached Mosul in Nov 1842. Mrs Laurie died Dec 16. 1843.

To take care of Dr Grant, Dr Smith reached Mosul Mar 29. 1844. & Dr Grant died Apr 24. 1844.

Dr Smith & Mr Laurie visited Tyari Aug & Sep 1844. & with Mrs Hinsdale took a final departure from Mosul Oct 21. 1844.

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1849. The field was left for five years: but urgent representations from Mekha, Kas Mechiel & others induced Messrs Perkins, & Stocking to visit Mosul in the spring of 1849: & in the fall of that year Mr Ford of Aleppo reached Mosul for labors among the Jacobites & Chaldeans. The Board resumed the station (not with reference to mountain Nestorians.) & appointed Mr Marsh to it in Nov 1849 -

1850. Mr Marsh reached the field & relieved Mr Ford Mar 28. 1850. He spent the first summer in Oroomiah, going by way of Rawandooz, & returning with Messrs Bowen & Sandreczki of the Church Miss. Society by way of Gawar, Kochanis, Amidiyeh, & Sheikh Adi.

In Dec 1850. Jeremiah made a tour in Bohtan.

1851.

In Feb 1851. Mr Marsh made a tour to Keramlis Ainkawa & Arbil. Mar 17. started for Botan & returned Apr 2d.

Mr & Mrs Williams, their children Talcott & Cornelia, with Dr Bacon & Son & Salome a native helper arrived in Mosul May 16. 1851.

With Dr Bacon & Son, Mr Marsh started for Oroomiah May 21, they were robbed beyond Okra May 28th & reached Mosul on the 3d of June. Dr Bacon & Leonard left for Erzeroom May 9. —

Mr Williams & family & Mr Marsh started for Sheikh Mattie June 16. & after spending the summer reached Mosul again Sep 3.

Nov 3. Mr Marsh started for Jebal Tour, Mardin & Diarbekir, taking ~~Kas Meekha~~ Sh. Eremia & arrived back Dec 5th bringing Eshaiah & Ishak —

1852.

Feb 8th Mr Marsh started for America taking Behnam for the Abeih Seminary — Reached America Aug 7. —

Dr Lobdell with his wife & child arrived in Mosul May 8. In September Dr Lobdell & family with Mrs Williams & Children & Salome visited Sheikh Adi. In October Elias Fuzz having come on for the purpose Salome started for Beirut. In November Mr Williams visited Jebal Toor, Mardin & Diarbekir taking Meekha —

1853.

Mr & Mrs Marsh reached Mosul May 9. Dr Lobdell as delegate for the Nestorian Mission started for Oroomiah June 14th taking Jeremiah, by way

of Arbil, Shikh Lawa, & Rawandooz — & returning by way of Gawar reached Mosul with Messrs Coan & Rhea of the Nestorian Mission Sep 22.

Messrs Williams & Marsh, with Messrs Coan & Rhea made a tour of Botan leaving Mosul Oct 5th & reaching Ashita Oct 18th. Messrs W. & M. returned to Mosul Oct. 22.

On the arrival of Mr Marsh in 1849, Meekha Hanna, Botous & Sh. Anton were excommunicated from the Jacobite Church, although Mr Ford made every effort to secure cooperation with Bishop Behnan — The Bishop wished to receive & have the entire control of money, & Mr Ford could not conscientiously allow him to waste funds on private ends — After various excommunications, & oppressions in the matter of tax, a native community was formed in the fall of 1851.

A native church was organised Oct 26. 1851. consisting of eight members of whom two were females. Six of them, at their own request were baptized. The child of Jeremiah was baptized by the name Daoud, in the summer of 1851. by Mr Marsh: & Naaman son of Meekha by Mr Williams 1852. & Joseph son of Kos mechil Nov 7. 1852.

A Burying Ground was procured by the mission for themselves & the Prot. Com'y in the Spring of 1853. notwithstanding special efforts of the Papists; & the child of Yakob Diarbekerlee, having died Sep 23. was the first buried there.

The first Prot. marriage in Mosul was solemnized by Mr Williams between Jebra & Hannah Dec 21. 1852.

A Dispensary was opened June 1. 1852 at the house of Ruffo for six months, then removed for six months

to Dr Lobdells, & finally located in Mr Marsh's outter court. During Dr Lobdell's absence in Oroomiah Mr Williams prescribed at the Dispensary —

The native helpers at present are, Shemmas Eremiah, Preacher & Bookseller. Kos Mechiel Arabic Teacher, Botrus, schoolteacher, & Ablahad assistant at the dispensary —

Mosul Nov 1. 1853. Dwight W. Marsh Comtee

Mosul Station Nov 2d. 1853.

Met in Mr Williams study & Mr Marsh opened the meeting with prayer. Mr Williams took the chair & Dr Lobdell was made secretary protem.

It was then voted that Mr Williams be chairman for one year — & Mr Marsh secretary — Mr Williams was also made permanent treasurer of the Station. Mr Marsh was appointed superintendant of common schools. His report on the past labors of the station was adopted.

It was voted that Dr Lobdell's expenses as delegate to the Nestorian Mission be paid from the funds of this station.

Voted that the the books are to be sold, & only to be given away when each specific case has received the approbation of the station.

Voted in future to give Ablahad the dispensary assistant 100 piastres a month for all his time, needed for dispensary work. Dr Lobdell closed the meeting with prayer.

H. Lobdell Sec. protem.
Dwight W. Marsh Rec. Sec

Mosul Nov 9. 1853

Met in Mr Marsh's study. The chairman opened with prayer.

It was voted that in addition to Arabic attention be given by Mr Williams to Koordish, by Dr Lobdell to Fellahe & by Mr Marsh to Turkish as strength may admit.

Voted that a station report be forwarded to the rooms by the first mail of each month, prepared by the members of the station alphabetically –

Voted that we hold a weekly English prayer meeting on Saturday evening & that the English preaching service be continued as usual on the Sabbath.

Voted that Mr Williams be postmaster of the station.

Voted that we furnish the chapel for the winter.

Voted that the request of Daoud to be sent to Abeih seminary be declined –

After prayer by Mr Marsh adjourned to call of the chairman –

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Nov 11th 1853

The Station met in Dr Lobdell's study & was opened with prayer.

It was voted

1. that our tracts be given away at the discretion of the members of the station & the book agent.

2. that Messrs Marsh & Williams be a committee to determine the price at which our books shall be sold in Mosul.

After an informal discussion on the subjects, of the chapel, of sending a native evangelist to Jezirah, of a Fast, & of presents, & dispensary matters, adjourned with prayer.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Nov 18th 1853

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer. After discussion of various topics adjourned till evening —

Met in Mr Williams parlor.

Voted, that Mr Williams be Librarian.

Adjourned with prayer.
D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Nov 25. 1853

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. In arrangement of time for Arabic

Voted, that Dr Lobdell employ our teacher from 2 a.m. 10 to 11. o'clock, Mr Williams from 11. to 12.20 & Mr Marsh from 1.10 to 2½.

Voted that Mission papers on arrival be distributed Evangelists to Mr Williams, Independents to Dr Lobdell, & Recorders to Mr Marsh — & that each seventy two hours after with Heralds, Journals & Daysprings they be sent round to houses alphabetically.

After prayer adjourned
Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Dec 2d 1853

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. After various discussions Dr Lobdell read a station report for the month of November, which was accepted.

Mr Williams was appointed a committee to bring in at the next meeting an estimate of the expense of a wall for the Prot. burying ground, & Dr Lobdell a committee to bring in an estimate of the expenses of a hospital for the winter. After prayer adjourned
D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Dec 9. 1853

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer. After discussion refered the subject of the hospital to a meeting on Monday Dec 12.

Voted to pay as individuals the original cost of the Protestant burying ground each one third.

Refered the matter of wall to the meeting on Monday. From a minute analysis of the past postage of the station being satisfied that the mission postage will certainly equal if not exceed two fifths - in order to save the trouble of so perplexing details

Voted for the ensuing year to divide the aggregate postage at the rate of two fifths to the station & one fifth to each member -

Voted that Dr Lobdell be a committee to provide for preaching in Bakhdeeka the coming Sabbath.

Adjourned with prayer.

D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Monday Dec 12. 1853

At an adjourned meeting met in Mr Williams study - & Voted that Dr Lobdell write to Mr Laurie expressing our thanks for the funds given for a Protestant burying ground; & relating to him what has been done -

It was arranged that Mr Marsh preach at the dispensary on Monday & Tuesday & Mr Williams on Thurs, & Friday -

Adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday Dec 16th 1853 -

Met in Dr Lobdell's study & opened with prayer.

Voted that we furnish a room for six indigent patients & for surgical purposes.

Voted that Mr Williams be a Committee to provide for preaching in the villages -

After prayer adjourned

D. W. Marsh - Sec

Mosul Friday Dec 30th 1853

Met in Dr Lobdell's parlor, (owing to his illness which prevented the meeting of the previous week.) & opened with prayer—

Mr Marsh read a station letter which was accepted—

It was voted to employ سيد شهاب as Arabic teacher at 120 p. a month for his whole time, he being reported to us as reputed the best Arabic scholar in Mosul.

Adjourned with prayer.

D. W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul Friday Jan 6. 1854.

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer. In order to hold a weekly Arabic prayermeeting in Mehallet El Shet

Voted to offer Ibrahim the use of 750 piastres for the use of his house & to rent him the house at 50 p. a month until the money be refunded.

Voted to send Elias Ibn Shem Anton to the Abeih Seminary—

Voted to offer Kos Mechiel at the rate of 250. p a month for itinerancy he to bear all his expenses—

Adjourned with prayer

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Jan 13th 1853.

Met in Mr Marsh's parlor & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted — Dr Lobdell presented the annual report & it was discussed & adopted —

Voted to apply to the Prudential Committee for $170. (being a part of $670. surplus of last year.) to aid in the fencing of the protestant burying ground; & in relieving (at the discretion of the members of the station) protestants when unjustly taxed or impoverished by other oppression.

Voted to send for Kos Eshaiah.

Adjourned with prayer.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Jany 20th 1854.

Met in Dr Lobdell's study & opened with prayer.

Voted to send Sillo to Abeih.

Adjourned with prayer —

Dwight W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul Friday Jany 27th 1854.

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer.

The minutes were read & accepted —

Voted that the Superintendant of schools be authorised to supply schoolbooks at his discretion to the protestant school —

Adjourned with prayer

D. W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul Friday Feb 3d 1854.

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted –

Adjourned with prayer

Dwight W. Marsh Sec –

Mosul Friday Feb 10th 1854

Met in Mr Williams parlor & opened the meeting with prayer. Mr Williams read the monthly station letter which was adopted.

Voted that Mr Marsh be a Committee to buy a horse at mission expense for itinerancy –

Voted that Mr Williams be a Committee to make arrangements with the native brethren for a missionary tour to Bagdad –

Voted, the Diarbekir station concurring, that the first annual meeting of the Assyrian Mission be held at Mosul during the first week in April.

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec –

Mosul Friday Feb 17th 1854.

The station met at Dr Lobdell's study & the meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted – The Committee upon the subject of itinerancy reported that Mekha & Semiah are sent to Bagdad to explore the state of the field & report progress – to bear their own expenses & be paid each two hundred & fifty piastres a month –

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Feb 24th 1854.

Met at Mr Marsh's study & the meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted.

Voted that Ros Muchid be employed at the book establishment at former wages 200 p. a month.

Voted to offer Khado the Jezirah tailor 100 p. a month to supply a room & teach a School in Jezirah –

Voted to apply to the American Tract Society for $50. for this station in 1855 –

The Committee on furnishing a room for patients reported that the room is made ready –

Voted that the station take for dispensary purposes at 500 p a year, all the rooms at the west end of Mr Marsh's outer Court.

After prayer Adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday March 3d 1854 -

Met in Mr Williams parlor & opened with prayer - The minutes were read & accepted -

Voted that we try the poor Chaldean as a doorkeeper & assistant at the dispensary at 80. p - a month -

Voted that Mr Marsh be a committee to have a door placed between the two rooms of the dispensary -

Voted that a Syriac & Arabic bible be given to the Syrian priest native of Bas -

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday March 10th 1854

Met in Mr Wms study & opened with prayer. The monthly station letter was read by Dr Lobdell & accepted.

Voted that Mr Marsh be a Committee to provide food for sick patients.

After prayer adjourned.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday March 24. 1854

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. Concluded to discontinue the dispensary assistant till the return of Dr Lobdell. After consideration of various topics - adjourned with prayer —

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday Apr 28. 1854.

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The subject of the supply of books to scholars was discussed -

Voted that Mr Williams be a committee to consult with Kas Mechid in regard to the occupation of Tel Kafe -

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday May 5. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The committee reported in regard to the occupation of Tel Kafe - Mr Marsh read a station letter which was accepted. The following letter to the English Vice Consul was adopted. "Dear Sir We deem it demanded by the occasion that we present to "you a formal expression of our deep sense of the service which as the rep. "resentative of Her Britannic Majesty's government you have just rendered to "the Christian population of Mosul, by your prompt & efficient action in averting "from this city an experience of the scenes recently witnessed at Aleppo. We "feel assured from all that we have been able to learn of the plot laid for "plundering the Christians of this city, the execution of which had even begun,

"that its sudden & successful arrest is chiefly, if not wholly owing to your "energetic efforts to convince the Pasha & military commander here of the "imminent necessity of employing those immediate & thorough measures of "repression which, with such satisfactory results were adopted by their "excellencies – We are glad to unite with all the lovers of order in tendering "to you, & through you to their excellencies, our thanks for your course "so eminently judicious, & happily successful in preventing anarchy and "bloodshed" – The document was signed by the "Americans resident in Mosul"

Voted to send Kas Mechiel to Tel Kafe at 200 p. a month & if after the first month it appears that he can remain we advance 600 p. upon his wages for the repair of his house, to be returned at the rate of 50. p. a month. No of scholars reported 79.

After prayer adjourned
Dwight W. Marsh. Sec

Friday May 12. 1854

Met at Dr Lobdell's & opened with prayer. The number of scholars reported was 93.

Voted, Diarbekir station concurring, that Mosul station be authorized to purchase a copy of the Arabic latin vulgate.

Voted that Dr Lobdell & Mr Marsh be authorised to visit Tel Kafe at mission expense as often as they may deem best.

Voted that we pay the Nestorian priest Eshaiah 75. p. a month to teach in Nahherwan & 40. p. for travelling expenses.

After prayer adjourned –
Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Friday May 19. 1854.

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted – The number of scholars reported was 86.

Voted that Mr Williams be requested to prepare a tract on the duty of each Christian's personally engaging in evangelising the world.

Adjourned with prayer
D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday May 26. 1854

Met in Mr Williams study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 96. After prayer adjourned –

Dwight W. Marsh. Sec

Mosul Friday June 2d. 1854.

Met in Dr Lobdell's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. No scholars reported 97. A station letter was read by Mr Williams & accepted.

Voted to offer Meekha 35. p. an hour per month to teach. A recess was taken till 8. a. m. Sat.

Sat. June 3d. 1854.

Met in Lobdell's Ewan — Voted that Dr Lobdell has the cordial assent of this station to test the expediency of spending summers in Ashitha, to act, if he chooses, while there under the direction of the Nestorian mission —

After prayer adjourned —

D. W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul Friday June 9. 1854

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 105.

Voted that, in view of the health of Mrs Williams, Mr Williams be advised to spend the summer at Seir, at mission expense while on the road —

Voted in consideration of services rendered to rent three rooms above the dispensary to Yakob Diarbekerlee for 75 p the coming year —

After prayer adjourned —

Dwight W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul. Friday. June 16th. 1854

Met in Mr Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The No of scholars reported was 110.

Voted that Kos Nuchid be sent to Mardin as Evangelist for six months — at 250 piastres a month, he to pay all his expenses. Also that we send a load of books to Mardin & pay the rent of the shop to hold them.

Voted to Employ Georgine Ibn Sokka & Sh. Anton at 80 p. a month Each to go round & teach at native houses —

Adjourned with prayer

Dwight W. Marsh Sec —

On Tuesday June 13th 1854. Mr Williams started with his family for Oroomiah accompanied by Dr Lobdell in accordance with the advice of the station. At Akra Mrs Williams grew worse & the party was detained for ten days. Meantime Dr Wright came to Rawandooz from Oroomiah to meet them & the party proceeded to a village four hours this side of the Zab, where they met Dr Wright. On consultation it appeared to all parties plain that Mrs Williams could not live to cross the mountains. There was the barest possibility of her reaching Mosul. Dr Wright accordingly most kindly returned with them one stage & passed the night — & next morning took a sad leave — At Akra they procured a litter. Five hours this side of Akra on Sat. Morn. July 1st at 6. o'clock Mrs Williams died. By travelling all night Sat night, after fourteen & a half hours they reached this city at 8½ Sunday morning; & the remains were consigned to a grave outside of the walls. The English Consul sent his flag to be

thrown over the coffin at the Tigris & was present with many native friends at the short funeral service at the grave - In accordance with a native custom, some sixty or seventy adults came daily for three days to hear preaching at the house of Mr Marsh when Mr Williams was staying. —

Mosul Sat July 8. 1854

Met at Dr Lobdell's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was for the week of June 23. 117. June 30. 110 - & this week 104.

Voted that our treasurer request the treasurer of the Nestorian mission to charge the expenses of Dr Wright's journey to the Zab to meet Mr Williams, to this station.

after prayer adjourned -

D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday July 14th 1854.

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted - No scholars reported 110½.

Voted to send Jeremiah to Jezirah under the following instructions. 1. that he receive 250 p a month & his horse hire while travelling among the villages. 2d that he purchase the Zeboor requested by Murad & tell him that when he reforms from drinking & becomes a faithful man will recommend him to the consul expected at Diarbekir. 3d that he report how many scholars he sees in Khuddo's school, the number learning Arabic & the number learning Syriac. 4. that he employ a teacher in Azakh (or two if more than forty scholars) at 50. p. a month. 5. that he employ Ros Meshid at Isphis at 50. a month to teach nothing but the scriptures & our books - 6. that he employ teachers in other villages where are 25 or more scholars on condition that he will teach only the scriptures & our books. 7. that he bear in mind that our special object & hope is to give him an opportunity to preach in these villages -

After prayer adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec -

Mosul Friday July 21. 1854

Met in Dr Lobdell's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted - The No of Scholars reported was 104.

Voted to enlarge our chapel so as to accommodate the increasing attendance of females.

After some conversation upon the subject of the burial ground adjourned with prayer

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Aug 4. 1854

Met at Mr Marsh's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The average number of scholars reported July 28. was 110½; the number Aug 4. 116. As there was no regular meeting the preceding week on account of sickness the regular station letter was accepted at an informal meeting and forwarded.

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday Aug 11. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 127. the average attendance 107.

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Aug 18. 1854

Met at Dr Lobdell's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of Scholars reported was 125. the average attendance 107½.

Voted to pay the expenses of Jeremiah's horse while at Jezirah — After some discussion adjourned with prayer.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Aug 25. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 126. average 107⅔.

After prayer adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Sep 1. 1854.

Met at Dr Lobdell's & opened with prayer - The minutes were read & accepted - The number of scholars reported was 118. the average attendance 107⅓ -

After prayer adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday Sep 8. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 118. average 102⅓. attendance at the depository 8-6.

After prayer adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul Friday Sep 15. 1854

Met at Dr Lobdell's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 124. the average attendance 102 1/3. The whole number attending at the depository during the week was 79. those conversed with upon religious subjects were 42. of whom 11. were Moslems –

Voted that a room in Mr Marsh's outer court be prepared for containing the mission travelling property.

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Thurs Sep 21. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 122 the average attendance 110. The number of visitors at the depository was 53 – with 34 of whom religious conversation was held in addition to 21 with whom Jeremiah conversed during a visit at Tel Kafe –

Voted that since by the recent loss of his wife Mr Williams is left with the care of three small children, & since it seems impracticable for the wives of his associates to give them that attention which they need in this trying climate this station fully approve of the proposition about to be made by our afflicted brother to the Prudential Committee for his temporary return to the United States; & furthermore urge upon them the expediency of such a course.

Voted that Dr Lobdell be requested to prepare a tract on the authoritative claims of the Gospel with special reference to Moslem objections.

Adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec –

Mosul Friday Sep 28. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 129 the average attendance 109.

Voted that we request the Prudential Committee to urge Mr Laurie to come to this field if his health permits.

Mr Williams read a tract on "The evangelization of the world the Personal Duty of every Christian".

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Monday Oct 15th 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported for the week ending Oct 5th was 123, the average attendance 104; for the week ending Oct 12th 120 & the average attendance 109.

Voted that we present to Mafrian Behnam & to the English Vice Consul each a copy of Mr Schneider's book & of the third number of the Beirut periodical.

After prayer adjourned
Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Oct. 20. 1854.

Met at Dr Lobdell's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 121, the average attendance 104½ - Mr Williams read a station letter which was accepted.

It having been represented to us by the confidential friends of Mafrian Behnam that he was very desirous of an amicable arrangement with us we offered to employ him upon the following conditions.

"We will employ Mafrian Behnam at 300. p. a month "to preach the gospel on these conditions.

"1st That he discontinue the use of Syriac in the church "service & such other parts of the service as are contrary to the gospel".

"2d That he drop prayers for the dead, prayers to "the saints & the virgin, auricular confession, the pretence of the "real "presence" & of the miracle of "meiron", & in general all practices "contrary to the gospel".

"We will open schools upon the following conditions.

"1. Only Arabic to be taught. 2. Only our text books "to be used. 3. Scripture to be the basis of all the religious instruction given. "4. Enough personal contact on our part with the schools to be sure "that the above terms are complied with. 5. Teachers to receive their "wages from us & to be such as we accept."

After prayer adjourned
Dwight W. Marsh

Mosul Friday Oct 27. 1854

Met at Mr Marsh's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. The number of scholars reported was 125, the average attendance 107⅓. The Mafrian did not entertain our proposition.

After prayer adjourned -
Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Friday Nov 3. 1854

Met at Mr Williams & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted – The number of scholars reported was 122 the average attendance 98½ – During seven days, part of two weeks, Kos Mekhiel had in all 34 visitors at the ~~dispens~~ depository of whom 29 were Christians & 5 Moslems –

Voted that Mr Marsh prepare a tract, of not more than eight pages, with an alphabet, for publication.

The Committee on burying ground reported that the ground south of the city had been fenced in & that from Oct 30th to Nov 1st the remains of Mr Hinsdale & Child, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Laurie, Dr Grant, Mrs Williams, & the child of Mr Marsh, were removed to that place –

After prayer adjourned

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Friday evening, Nov. 10, 1854.

Mr. Marsh was voted Chairman and H. Lobdell Secretary for the next twelve months. The number of scholars reported was 123, and the average daily attendance, 92.

In accordance with the advice of the Prudential Committee it was voted to open a boarding school for young men, to be trained for "native assistants", and Mr. Williams was appointed to take charge of it.

It was agreed that the Station provide food and rooms for the scholars who are not to be received without a vote of the Station. In case of need, beds and some articles of clothing will be furnished them gratis.

Since the last meeting an Armenian woman, who died at the Dispensary, has been buried in our new cemetery.

Adjourned.

H. Lobdell. Sec'y

Nov. 17th. 1854. Evening.

The number of scholars reported was 125; average attendance 103. Kos Mekhiel reported 23 persons at the Depository during the seven days he was there ~~during~~ the last fortnight. Mr. Marsh was instructed to order him to sit in the dukkan, and not in the street.

Adjourned

H. Lobdell. Sec.

Nov. 24th. 1854.

Kos Mekhiel reported three hours' daily attendance at the Depository for four days, & the whole number of visitors as 14. The No of scholars reported for the last week was 125, & the aver

age attendance 94.

Voted, to pay 21 piastres for repairs of the roof of the room occupied by the Mission traveling furniture.

Voted, to allow Sara, wife of Yacoub, 50 paras a day for feeding patients lying at the Dispensary.

Voted, to pay Khudu's travelling expenses from Jerich to Tel Keif - 60 piastres, and the balance of his wages to the end of the year.

Adjourned.

H. Lobdell,
Secretary.

Dec. 1st 1854.

The number of scholars reported was 137; the average daily attendance 108½. Kos Mekhiel reported an aggregate attendance at the Depository of 24 persons. He was there three hours daily.

Voted, to write to our Ambassador at the Porte and to Helmy Pasha in reference to the attempt made by the latter to prevent our using our new cemetery.

Adjourned. H. Lobdell, Sec.

Dec. 8, 1854.

The whole number of scholars reported was 109 - the average attendance 90.

Mr. Marsh was instructed to write informing Khudu at Jezireh, Isaiah at Nahrwan, and the two teachers at Azuk, that their wages as teachers would be stopped from the 1st of Jan. next; on the ground that they are so far away we cannot, in these troublous times, properly superintend them.

Voted, to admit Elias, Ephraim, Hanna and Amos to the School to be opened next week; and that Ablahad, the apothecary, have permission to attend such recitations as will not interfere with his Dispensary duties.

Voted, to pay Sara 2 piastres per person daily for providing for patients, unless the number exceed three; for others, 1¼ piastres.

P. S. The wall of our cemetery was thrown down to day.

Adjourned.

H. Lobdell, Sec.

Dec. 15th, 1854.

The Secretary read a Station letter which was accepted. The scholars reported as attending school daily were 67; the whole number, 88.

Mr. Marsh was authorized to employ for a time, as teacher, Shemmas Khudura, son of Kos Stephan, at 80 piastres a month.

Voted, to pay Jurjis, a/c Ablahad, 1½ paras per scholar per day as teacher in the "school in logs".

Voted, to advise Ishak & Mosheil to attempt to go to Bootan.

N. B. The has the past week taken French protection & prepared letters

for the French Consul & his Ambassador, Lord de Redcliffe, and Hon. C. Spence in reference to our Cemetery and matters adjacent thereto. See Station papers. Adjourned as usual.

H. Lobdell, Sec.

Dec. 22d, 1854.

Whole no. of scholars 122. Average, 96.

Voted, to allow Jurjis & Khudura to attend the recitations of Mr. W's school, provided they supply their own books.

Voted, to place 3 Arabic Bibles, 6 A. Testaments, 1 copy of the Oroomiah Bible, 3 Chaldaic Gospels (Modern) and 3 Jacobite Syriac N. T.s in Tel Keif for Hebbe to sell.

Voted, to cease employing Saïd Shahab after the last of January.

Adjourned.

H. Lobdell, Sec.

Dec. 29th, 1854.

Voted, to pay Ishak 50 piastres a month to tour, or teach, in Bootan, and to give him three month's wages in advance.

Adjourned after much talk.

H. Lobdell, Sec.

May 5th 1855.

average of scholars for five weeks 88. & whole number 114.

D. W. Marsh

Friday Eve. Feb 9. 1855

Met at Mr Marsh's study. Opened with prayer. Station letter for Feb 7 read & accepted -

Voted to attempt a female day School at Mr Marsh's house -

The average number of scholars reported for the past five weeks 100. average daily attendance 70. Average attendance at Sabbath services during Jan 7 - 27. at weekly meetings 17. Closed with prayer. Adj'd

(Signed) W. F. Williams Sec. Pro. Tem.

N. B. at an informal meeting the station letter for Jan 7 & the annual report for 1854 were adopted -

February 19 - Met & read minutes of last meeting. Voted that Messrs Marsh & Williams be a deputation to attend the annual meeting at Diarbekir starting next Monday - Voted to give Najim 60 p. a month to teach Arabic penmanship in the seminary - (Not signed) H Lobdell Sec

February 23. attendance last week 107. daily average 83. This week whole number 116. daily average 93. Voted to accept the annual report of the Book Agent - (Not signed) H. Lobdell Sec -

Average Sabbath attendance –		Week –
January 1855 –	27 –	17.
February .. –	29 –	20.
April.	28 –	
May.	32 –	
June.	33 –	
July –	32.	
August.	35.	
September.	37.	
October.	39.	
November.	39.	
December.	47.	
Average for year –	34⅓	

Average attendance at school in March whole number 116. daily 99.

		whole number	daily
" "	7 weeks —	127.	.. 107.
	5 weeks	114.	88.
Week ending May	31st	127.	.. 109.
" June	8th	131.	.. 118.
"	15th	129.	.. 113.
"	22d	133.	.. 110.
"	29th	137.	.. 114.
" July	5th	134.	.. 113.
"	12th	135.	.. 107.
"	17th	139.	118.
"	24th	145.	117.
"	31st	132.	113.
" August	10th	130.	.. 115.
"	17th	150.	.. 125.
"	23d	153.	131.
"	30th	150.	.. 126.
" September	7th	149.	.. 128.
"	14th	143.	.. 124.
"	21st	144.	.. 115.
"	28th	115.	.. 95.
" Oct.	5th	111.	.. 97.
"	12th	114.	.. 98.
"	17th	109.	.. 88.
"	24th	121.	.. 91.
" Nov	1st	127.	.. 98.
"	8th	127.	.. 102.
"	15th	128.	.. 111.
"	23d	120.	.. 103.
"	30th	124.	.. 97.
" Dec.	7th	123.	.. 98.
"	14th	122.	.. 110½
"	21st	122.	.. 107.
"	28th	124.	.. 106.

Attendance at Ishak's School at Man aha for 40. days Whole number 28 daily av. 21.

Whole attendance at Ishak's school for another month 26 average 20.

Average school attendance per month for 1855

	whole number	daily
March	116.	99.
April	127.	107.
May	114.	88.
June	122.	114.
July	133.	114.
Aug.	145.	124.
Sep.	138.	115.
Oct.	114.	91.
Nov.	123.	102.
Dec.	123.	105
Year –	125.6	105.9

Dr. Lobdell died March 25. 1855. see Miss. Herald & Journal of Missions.

May or June 1855. (Recorded July 13.)

At an informal meeting of the Mosul station the following action was taken & a copy forwarded to Bagdad.

"The Mosul Station of the Assyrian Mission of the American Board having been requested by the Revd Mr Brühl of Bagdad to transfer to that field one of their native preachers Kos Mechiel Shamala provided the Ch. Miss. Society will employ him,

Resolved that we are willing to make sacrifices for the good of the general cause & in this spirit we commend Kos Mechiel Shamala as a person well qualified by intellectual & biblical attainments, by his excellence & acceptableness as a preacher, &, as we on the whole hope, by the indwelling Spirit, for the missionary work at Bagdad; adding that a previous doubt of the genuineness of his conversion gave place upon his examination for admission to the Mosul Evangelical Church to a hope, which has sometimes wavered but gradually grown stronger for three years.

Dwight W. Marsh. Sec pro tem

Dec 31st 1855

Met at Mr Marsh's. It was voted

1st That for the present we will clothe & board any suitable candidates for the seminary. 2d That each missionary meet the helpers under his care weekly for exhortation, examination, & prayer. 3d That native helpers be expected (1) to labor to save souls during the week; (2) to keep a journal & report weekly; (3) to have their wages suspended while engaged upon personal work. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mr Marsh.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec. pro. tem.

Mosul. Jan. 12th 1856.

Sent Shemas Eremiah to Azakh with Cawass from Pasha & orders from the Diarbekir & Mosul Pashalics for the formation of a Protestant community.

D. W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. Feb. 12. 1856.

Sent Kos Mechiel to Azakh, we to pay expenses of road & half of expenses there in addition to salary. Also

sent Elias to Mardin voting to pay him 100 p. a month. Voted to discontinue the seminary -

D. W. Marsh Sec —

Mosul. Thur. 14th Feb. 1856.

Voted after this month to give Behnan 150. p. a month in consideration of increased labors -

D. W. Marsh Sec —

March. 18th. 1856. all the members of the station left Mosul to attend the Annual Meeting in Diarbekir. From Diarbekir Mr. Williams proceeded to America; the remainder of the party, with Dr. Haskell, spending the summer there & returning, reached Mosul Oct. 19th.

Mosul. Nov. 1st. 1856.

Station met at Mr. Marshs - It was voted:-

That hereafter Behnan receive 175. p. a month; & board with Dr. Haskell at 75 p. a month.

H. B. Haskell. Sec.

Mosul. Nov. 8th. 1856.

Met at Mr. Marshs & voted to give Shemas Eremiah 300. p. a month & to allow him 100. p. a month for hospitality.

H. B. Haskell. Sec.

Mosul. Feb. 4th 1857 / Dr. Haskell left for America Jan 22. At Jezirah proposed to pay Matte Asker for guests. Here agreed to pay Sara 40. p. a month to superintend the female school & Abo. 2. paras a scholar per lesson. Dr. Haskell was sent by the station to Dohuk & Sandoor to secure Joana a Nestorian girl from the Koords. The expedition was successful. A female school has been started in Beit Jun. Sokka. at 3. p. a month per scholar.

Dwight W. Marsh

In Nov. Mr Marsh went up to Diarbekir to meet Messrs Wms & Haskell just returned from the U.S. Attended there the annual meeting of the mission ~~and~~ after which all came down the river together safely landing Wednesday p.m. Nov 25.

The first station meeting after their return convened in Mr Marsh's ~~stu~~ parlor. All present. On motion of Mr Marsh, Dr Haskell was elected Chairman & Mr Williams Secy. - Voted -

That we reimburse Behnan Hasooney an amount equal to the diffce between the expense of his return from Abeih & that of Sills.

Voted

That the station pay Jammcy's expenses for the present.

Voted - That there be a public examination of Behnan Hasooney's school on Thursday p.m. at the Asr

Voted. That Abdelahad Ibn Shemmas Ishoh be employed as dispensary assistant at £25 per mo.

Voted. That the dispensary be furnished in a manner suitable for the reception of guests.

Closed with prayer - On motion adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec

Mosul Dec 18. 1857. Friday a. m.

Station called to order in Mr Marsh's parlor Opened with prayer. On motion Mr Rhea was invited to sit as corresponding member. Minutes of the last meeting were read. On motion adjourned

W. F. Williams Secy

Jany 1. 1858. Friday p. m.

Note Mrs Hattie B. H. Williams after three weeks illness with bilious diarrhoea, died Dec 25. 11½ p. m. and was buried Saturday noon, the two consulates & a large number of native friends attending at the grave.

Station called to order in Mr Marsh's study - Opened with prayer: minutes of last meeting were read Adjourned -

W. F. Williams Secy

Jany 8. Friday p. m. 1858.

Station called to order in Mr Marsh's parlor. Opened with prayer. Minutes of last meeting accepted

Voted - That Mr Williams be station auditor for 1858.

1856.

School attendance

January. Whole. 122. daily 96.
February. " 184. " 151.

Week Ending	Jany	3d	whole	attendance	123.	average	104.
"	"	" 10th	"	"	104.	"	82.
"	"	" 17th	"	"	122.	"	91.
"	"	" 25.	"	"	140.	"	109.
"	"	Feb. 1.	"	"	155.	"	130.
"	"	" 8.	"	"	177.	"	146.
"	"	" 15.	"	"	206.	"	157.
"	"	" 22.	"	"	184.	"	159.
"	"	" 29.	"	"	199.	"	158.
"	"	Mar. 7.	"	"	217.	"	177.½
"	"	" 14.	"	"	220.	"	185½

Voted. That the wages of Schoolmaster Butrus be raised to 130 piastres a month, he to pay all the incidentals of the school as water, mats &c from his salary — Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec[y]

Saturday a. m. Jan[y] 9. 1858.

Station met informally in Mr Williams parlor and
Voted. That the station unanimously advise Dr & Mrs Haskell to make their arrangements to spend the ensuing summer elsewhere than at Mosul. Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec

Friday Jany 15. 1858. Eve[g]

Met at Mr Williams'. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted.
Voted. That Mr Marsh be a Committee to request from Mr Rassam a letter to Kamân Pasha of Sert in behalf of Shemmas Suleiba.
Voted. That Mr Williams conduct religious services in English on the ensuing Sab.
Voted. That Mr Haskell be a com[ee] to give notice to the English resident here
Voted That Messrs Marsh & Williams be a com[ee] to appraise Station property

Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec

Friday Jan[y] 22. 1858. Eve[g]

Met at Mr Marsh's. Opened with prayer — Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec

Friday Jan[y] 29 1858 p. m.

Met at Mr Marsh's. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted.
Voted. To continue English preaching
Voted To allow Georgius Sokkee ~~40~~ 50 piastres per annum as rent for the girl's school at his house
Voted. That with our present light, we decline to employ the Jacobite Archbishop as a gospel preacher

Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec[y]

Friday Feb. 5. 1858. p. m.

Met at Mr Williams'. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted
Brother Rhea being present, was invited to sit as corresponding member
Voted. To organize a sunday school — Mr Williams to be Sup[t]
Voted (Dr Haskell assenting) to procure a copy of Redhouse's Turkish Dictio[nary]

Adjourned

W. F. Williams Sec[y]

Friday March 5. 1858. 10 a. m.

Met in Mr Williams's parlor. Mr Rhea invited to sit as corresponding member. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted
Messrs Rhea & Marsh having made a tour to the Jezireh region the morning was chiefly occupied in listening to a report of their journey. They left Mosul Wednesday Feb 10 & returned Thursday Mar 4th having encountered much snow especially in the neighborhood of Dandeiden and Azzokh
Voted. That the wages of Kas Ishaiah at Rahman be reckoned at 75 piastres a month beginning from Jan[y] 1. 1858.
Voted. That Mr Marsh be a com[ee] to write to the Eng. Consular agent at Diarb (& our Mis[y] brethren there) requesting their best endeavors to secure from the Waly of Koordistan an order for the effectual organization of the Protestants in the district of Jezireh & that we also represent the case to the Authorities at Bagdad & Cstple. Took a recess till p. m.

P. M. Session. Voted. That instead of 50. pias. we allow Georgias Sokkea 75. pias rent per annum.

Voted. That we assure the Jacobite Archbishop of our hearty sympathy in his preaching Bible truth & that if it becomes necessary we will make it practical.

Adjourned W. F. Williams Secy.

Friday March 12. 1858 Eveg.

Met at Mr Marsh's. Present as before. Opened with prayer. Minutes read and accepted. Voted. To pay Georgians Sokkea two years rent in advance on condition that he reserve to us the right to open a door from the church court into said school room if we please. Adjourned

W. F. Williams

Friday March 19. 1858. Eveg.

Met at Mr Williams's. Present as before. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted. Discussed the Mefriaw - Adjourned

W. F. Williams

Friday April 2. 1858

Met - accepted the minutes - talked - adjourned

W. F. Williams

Wednesday ~~Mar~~ April 7. 1858

Met at Mr Williams's study. Opened with prayer.

Voted. That Kos Makhiel be allowed 100p. additional salary while absent from home with Dr Haskell & that his expenses while on the road be met from appropriation for Misy tours.

Adjourned

W. F. Williams Secy

Friday April 9. 1858.

Met in Mr Williams's parlor after the Friday Eveg - prayer meeting.

Voted. To allow Abdel Ahad 260 p. per month while absent with Dr Haskell and that his expenses while on the road be met from appro for misy tours.

Voted. That we raise the wages of Ishak of Bootan to 100 per month & allow him to use a stove ~~for his use~~ of the mission in the school room at Mar Rahn during the winter

Voted. To authorize Sillo to open a school in Mahallet El Kollâa if he can obtain the promise of 12 scholars:- at 75 per month. Wages to be increased to 100 per month as soon as the scholars average twenty.

Voted. To discontinue Behnam Sikkar after the present month in consequence of the dissatisfaction of the brethren with his preaching and conduct, although we regard such dissatisfaction for the most part unfounded

Adjourned

W. F. Williams Secy

Monday April 11. 1858

At a meeting informally convened in Mr Marsh's Lewan -

Voted. To raise Kos. Makhiel's wages to 300 per month W. F. Williams

Mosul Oct 29. 1858. Friday Evening

Mr Marsh's family spent the summer at Mardin leaving Mosul April 28 & ~~retu~~ arriving on their return Oct 1. Dr & Mrs Haskell spent the summer ~~partly~~ at Seirt & Bitlis, leaving Mosul Apl 14th and reaching it again Oct 25. First station meeting this evening.

Voted That the Secy record that "the brethren" were so exercised on learning of the last vote of Apl 9. that at their special request Behnam Sikkar was continued in Mission employ

Voted. That Kos Ishaiah's salary be raised to 100 per month from date

Voted that Jeremiah visit Nahrwan Jezireh Azzokh, Jebel Tour (& if necessary as far as to Diarbekr) to look after the wants of those in that region inclined to protestantism W. F. W. Secy.

Mosul. Nov. 5th 1858

Met in Mr. Marsh's study & opened with prayer. Mr. Williams being about to leave Mosul station resigned the office of Secretary & Mr. Marsh was elected in his stead. Dr. Haskell was continued chairman. The affairs of the Mountain Nestorians in relation to the Sublime Porte as alluded to in a letter of the Agent of the Mosul Protestants at Constantinople were discussed & it was concluded that we could do nothing to better the unfortunate position of Mar Shimon the Nestorian Patriarch. Voted not to increase wages of Kos Mechiel & Behnan Sikker. The treasurer was advised not to advance to the Oroomiah Deacons over 150. p. at this time.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. Nov. 12th 1858

Met as usual & opened with prayer. Voted to pay 30. p. for a doorkeeper for the dispensary per month. Voted the Diarbekir station concurring to publish Mechha's tract on transubstantiation. Discussed subject of villages. Mr. Wms left Nov. 9th

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul. Nov. 17, 22, & 29th & Dec 3. 1858.

Met as usual, but transacted no important business except consultation without votes.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul. Dec. 10th 1858.

Met at Mr. Marsh's & opened with prayer. Voted to pay Behnan Hassouna 150. p a month for teaching Dr. & Mrs Haskell. Mr. Marsh was appointed a committee to superintend repairs of the chapel. Voted to give Behnan Sikker 200. p a month in view of increased services. Dr. Haskell read a letter to the Prudential Committee which was accepted.

Adjourned.

Dwight W. Marsh Sec

Mosul. Friday Dec. 17. 1858

Met at Dr. Haskell's. Minutes read & accepted. Voted to put 10. hymn books in the chapel. Voted to attempt weekly preaching services at Mehallet 'l Kolla once on the Sabbath & once during the week.

Adjourned.

D. W. Marsh. Sec

Mosul Friday Dec 24. 1858

Met at Mr. Marsh's study & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. Voted to give Ishak of Mar Aha 1. p. a day when the Bishop of Botan is his guest & to pay the Bishop 50. p a month when he goes round with Ishak for preaching. Voted that Dr. Haskell be a Com. to see Elias & Hanna Daigukh in reference to sending one or both to neighboring villages.

Adjourned

D W Marsh. Sec

Mosul Friday Dec. 31st 1858.

Met at Dr. Haskell's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. Voted that hereafter we charge for all calls upon the Physician at his house, for all his professional visits outside of the Prot. comy: & for Medicine, at rates to hereafter made out; Also that the Dispensary Assistant charge for all visits outside of the Prot. community.

Adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec

1859

Mosul. Friday. Jan. 7th 1859

Met at Mr Marsh's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. Mrs. Marsh was authorised to open a girls day-school. Adjourned.

D. W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. Friday. Jan 14th 1859.

Met at Dr. Haskell's & opened with prayer. The minutes were read & accepted. ~~Voted that Mr. Williams be requested to procure a house at Mardin for a Summer Retreat for one family of the Mosul Station.~~ Discussed village supply &, Bch. H. sitting in Mejlis— Adjourned.

D. W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. Fri. Jan. 21st 1859

Met at Mr. Marsh's & opened with prayer. After reading of the minutes, voted that Mr. Williams be requested to procure a house at Mardin for a Summer Retreat for one family of the Mosul Station. Adjourned.

D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul Feb 4th 1859

Met at Mr. Marsh's. After prayer & reading of the minutes. Voted to employ Jurjis Col. to teach in Mehallet'l Cotla & Mehallet's shut at 100. p. a month. Adjourned

D. W. Marsh Sec

Mosul. Feb. 18th. 1859.

Met at Mr. Marsh's & opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted.

Voted. To rent a schoolroom in Mahallet El Colla at 150 p. a year including water.

D.W. Marsh. Sec.

Mosul. March. 4th/59.

Met at Mr. Marsh's, opened with prayer. Minutes read & accepted.

Voted. To give 4 mats to the Bishop of Bothan.

Voted. To pay Shemmas Eremiah 500 p a month to go at the least for 2 months to Jezereh; also to pay him 200 p each way for road expenses & 50 p a month for renting a house there.

Voted. That we meet Shemmas Eremiah early next week for a solemn & prayerful interview with him, with reference to his going to Jezereh

Adjourned

D.W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. March. 11th

Met at Dr. Haskell's & after the prayer meeting minutes were read & accepted.

Voted. To pay 88 piasters for expenses incurred for girls school.

Adjourned

D.W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. 18th March.

Voted. To grant Jurjus Soka his four requests with reference to the girls school & repairs of his house

Adjourned

D.W. Marsh Sec.

Mosul. March 25/59.

Met at Dr. Haskell's. accepted minutes, and discussed subject of Native Helper for Mardin.

Adjourned

D.W. Marsh. Sec.

Mosul. April 1st/59.

After prayer & acceptance of minutes;

Voted. To employ three of Ishok's scholars as teachers at Mar Aha, Mar Yohannan & Monsuriah at 50 piasters each per month, in order to allow Shemas Ishok to be more with the Bishop of Botan.

Adjourned

D. W. Marsh, Sec.

Mosul Dec 29th 1859.

At an informal meeting convened in Mr. Marsh's study; Mr. Williams being present,

Voted. To discharge Shemas Eremiah from the service of the mission & to give him 1 months wages.

Adjourned

H. B. Haskell.

Sec.

Mosul Dec. 30th 59.

Reconsidered action of yesterday and

Voted to give Shemas Eremiah 2 months wages.

Voted. That Dr. Haskell be a committee to remove the stock of arabic books from the Khan to the Dispensary to be sold there by abdul & also to place a few numbers of each kind in the shop of Hanna Noka.

Adjourned

H. B. Haskell.

Sec.

Mosul. Jan 13th 1860.

Voted, That as the rent of Khan is paid 3 months in advance, Kos Mehial sit there to sell books & preach.

Voted, That if a room suitable for the boy's School can be rented, the girls school be removed into the chapel

Voted, (Mission concurring) To send Jiques Colla to

the Oroomiah School.

Voted That we give to the Schools no more books.

Adjourned.

H. B. Haskell

Sec —

Mosul. Jan 28th 1860.

Met in Dr. Haskell's study and after prayer & reading minutes, Voted To give Jugus Colla 130 piasters a month, including rent and water.

Voted — To raise Behnan Sica's & Behnan Hassoona's wages to 225 ps. per month.

Mr. Marsh was appointed a committee to talk with Jugus Soca of going to Azakh.

Adjourned —

H. B. Haskell

Sec —

Mosul, March 10th 60.

Voteded — To give 20 piasters for work at chapel, also 5 for brooms, jars &c.

Voted — To give rope & bucket for well at church.

Voted — To give Butrus 15 pias. a month as Sexton of Church

Voted — To send Mutran Yusuf, Shemas Ishoc & several young men from S. D's school to Oroomiah

Adjourned —

H. B. Haskell,

Sec —

Mardin, Jan 11th 1876

Meeting of the Mardin Station convened at the house of brother Andrus. After prayer by Mr. A. the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year. Mr. Bill, scribe. Dr Thom, Treasurer. Mr Andrus, Auditor. Voted also that the Book Department be retained in Mr. B's hands, and the Postal Dept with Miss Sears.

Mr. Bill was chosen principal of the Theol. school, and Mr. Andrus to attend to Government work.

Mr. A. was also authorized to write to Boston urging the appointment of a fourth man as early as convenient.

N. H. Bill, scribe.

Mardin, Jan 21st

Met with Dr. Thom. who opened the meeting with prayer. The scribe was appointed to answer letters from Hannoosh & Isea of Karabosh, Dr. T. to write the annual report for the past year, and Mr. A. to make up the Tabular View.

Voted To raise Hessoo's salary to 100 pr per month.

" To have all the tibn brought from Tel Ermin, recall the money paid on house there, and dismiss Mahomet Kasi at the close of the month.

N. H. Bill scribe.

Mardin. Jan. 27th.

Met with Mr. Bell. Meeting opened with prayer.

Voted. That we protest against the sale of the Walker House or any of its contents until action is taken in the annual meeting. Dr. T. was appointed to report the same to Harpoot.

Voted That the Treasurer also remind the Harpoot station that we wish our share of the sale of the Taneek house.

Voted. That Mr. Andrus answer the letter of Dr. Bliss. & give a detailed account of the general influence of the Mission work in our field.

Voted That we inform Shumas Suliba that we do not wish him to leave the work at present. and that we will give him six Months Notice should we desire him to withdraw.

N. H. Bell. Scribe.

Mardin. Feb. 3d.

Met at Mr. A's. After prayer the estimates were taken up.

Voted. That for the sake of retrenchment we inform Behnam of Kutterbul and Ishoa of Charoqnoy that it will be necessary for them to leave the work at the beginning of April.

Mr. A. gave an account of labors, dangers & sufferings "endured in his late visit to Kullith and the success attending him.

N. H. Bell. Scribe

Mardin Feb. 24th

Met with Mr. Bell. Plan & estimate for building at Kullaat Mura were considered, & the business deferred till our meeting next week.

Voted - That an "Intersessional vote" be started at once recommending the withdrawal of Mr. and Mrs. Bell from the work in Mardin and their return to the U.S.A. in consequence of the continued ill health of the latter & her inability to remain longer.

Voted - That Dr. T. accompany the above vote with an official letter setting forth in particular the necessity of such withdrawal —

N. H. Bell Scribe

Mardin. March 2d 1876

Meeting with brother Andrus - It was voted

First. That we refer the debt of the Mardin Station to the annual Meeting reserving the appropriations for 1876 in toto.

Second. That we build in Kullaat Mura at an expense not to exceed fifty liras including the amount contributed by the brethren. at K. M.

N. H. Bell Scribe

Mardin, Thurs. Ev'g, Nov. 14, 1878.

Station Meeting was held in Bro. Andrus's study, & opened with prayer by him. Present, Rev. A. N. Andrus, Dr. D. M. B. Thom, Rev. Willis C. Dewey, the latter having just arrived on the field after spending a year on the coast because of ill-health of Mrs. Dewey.

Organization & distribution of the work was effected as follows:

A. N. Andrus, — Ex officio as senior missionary Chairman; Post Master; Manager of government work; Sec'y for Arabic Correspondence.

D. M. B. Thom, — Treasurer; Manager of the stables.

W. C. Dewey, — Recording Sec'y; Auditor; Manager of the Book Department; Curator of Touring Apparatus; Principal of the Middle School.

Voted, — To send Abd el Messiah Nameesa to [illegible] as teacher, on trial, at salary of 125 p. a month, & to pay his expenses in going there.

Willis C. Dewey, Secy.

Saturday Ev'g, Nov. 16, 1878.

Dr. Thom's study. —

Voted, — That the principal of the Middle School procure what mats are needed for it, & heating apparatus.

Voted, — That Hanna Kilchah be allowed to drop out from the school for the winter & teach in Azakh.

Voted, — To employ Garabet as teacher in Dairiki at a salary of 140 p. a month.

Voted, — To pay 40 p. a month toward the salary of Nuho, teacher in Kabe, school to begin Dec. 1.

Willis C. Dewey, Secy.

Saturday Ev'g. Nov. 23, 1878.

Dewey's Study. —

Treasurer reported condition of the Treasury present & prospective.

Voted, — That when the accounts are all in, unexpended balance from Native Agency & Education to amount not to exceed 100 Liras be set aside for the work in Jebel et Toor & Education.

Voted, — That the Treasurer be authorized to procure two ladders for use on the premises.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y

Monday Morn., Dec. 16, 1878.

Dewey's Study, –

Dr. Thom protested against sending Hanoosh of Karabash to Midyat & Eshaiah of Midyat to Kulleth. Mr. Andrus made satisfactory explanations, & it was agreed to let the matter remain so.

Voted, – that after Jan. 1, 1879, no helper or student in the vicinity of Mardin or a mission agency be loaned more than a month's salary in advance, except in the autumn, when two months' salary may be advanced.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Friday Eve. Jan. 3. 1879.

Andrus's Study –

Voted, – That Bro. A. correspond with Khudhersha of Kutterbul to see if he will go to Karabash as teacher, & if so at what salary.

Voted, – That ~~Bro.~~ Mrs. A. be requested to talk with Ellet to see how she feels about going back to Midyat to teach in the Women's School just begun there, & let us know the result.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Friday Afternoon, Jan. 17, 1879.

Dewey's Study –

Bro. A. reported that Khudhersha cannot go to Karabash.

Notice was taken of the fact that Mrs. A's conference with Ellet has resulted in the latter's departure for Midyat the present week.

Voted, – that Shemas Rakho be given employment, his salary being paid as heretofore by the Persian Mission until said mission can be heard from, & that upon his return to Midyat he be transferred from Bate to Kerboran.

Voted, – That Bro. A. correspond with Persian Mission upon the above matter.

In pursuance of notice from Boston that the Estimates for Mardin Station for the current year must be reduced by $500, – the station began the work of revision.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Saturday, Jan. 18, 1879.

Andrus's Sitting Room –

Work of revising estimates was vigorously prosecuted.

Voted, – That in view of the reductions, no new village be entered this year.

Voted, – that no student be permitted to marry while connected with the Middle School, & that hereafter, unless there are special reasons therefor, no married man shall be received to said school.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Thurs. Eve., Jan. 23, 1879.

Dr. Thom's Sitting Room —

Work of revising estimates was completed & the whole reviewed.

Voted, — that the Treasurer be authorized to pay 3000 p. from the "gain on the lire" to Ishaiah of Midyat for the ground upon which our house in Midyat stands, the foundation of said house, & the cave under it.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Wed. P. M. March 26, 1879.

Dr. Thom's Sitting Room —

Minutes of preceding meetings read & approved. Hanoosh reports that if he is allowed to remain in Karabash instead of returning to Midyat, the brethren will comply with conditions necessary for forming a church & call him to be their pastor.

Voted, — that he remain in Karabash —

Voted, — That Raji be called from Midyat to Mardin, & an effort made to get pastor Jurjis to go to Midyat for a time to look after gov't business.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Friday, March 28, 1879.

Dewey's Study —

Voted, — that if Kaferzi does not presently accept the conditions laid upon new communities coming under our care, Shemas Bishoo be transferred to some other village.

Affairs of the Middle School were taken up & discussed.

Voted, — That Efraim do not return to school the coming year, but be given other work —

Voted, — That for the coming year the weekly allowance to pupils under our charge be 12 p. a week while school is in session, & that to those needing additional aid, work be given to the amount of 8 p. a week @ ½ p. an hour —

Yusef Rehan, preacher in Kerboran, represents that as he is carrying a debt of 2500 p. at 20 % interest, he cannot get along & support his family on the salary we propose to pay.

Agreed, — that much as we dislike to lose him, we cannot rightfully keep him under such circumstances.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Saturday P. M., March 29, 1879.

Decided that Efraim go to Karabash —

Report from Dairiki that the 20 new houses do nothing toward support of pastor, & so the comm — cannot raise the am't put upon them.

Voted, — That Dr. Thom & Bro. Dewey visit Dairiki & try to stir them up to their duty —

Voted, — That 30 Lires appropriated for building in Benabeel be applied to that purpose —

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Tues. P.M., May 20, 1879.

Dr. Thom's Study -

Minutes of preceding meetings read & approved -
Bro. Andrus, just returned from a trip to Mosul, reported that he took Efraim with him to Karabash - He is to have 60 p. a mo. beginning from Apr. 1, not to be drawn till autumn -

Voted, - That two young men who came up from vicinity of Jezireh with Mr. A. to enter school, be sent to Midyat for present.

Willis C. Dewey, Secy.

Tues. Ev., May 20, 1879 -

Dr. Thom's Study, -

Voted, - That the salary of Yusef Rehan of Kerboran be continued at 150 p. a month, & that to enable him to continue in the work we pay off 850 p. of his debt, using for that purpose a portion of a donation from Dr. Lawrie.

Wed. P.M., May 21, 1879 -

Dewey's Study, -

Voted, - To raise the salary of Abd el Messiah in Sert to 165 p. a month -

Thurs. P.M., May 22, 1879 -

Dr. Thom's Study, -

Agreed, - To help Binkelf find a preacher, if possible -

Agreed, - To see if Mukdsy Kibby will go to Kaferzi temporarily in place of Shemas Bishro who is going home to look after his family -

Midyat teacher struck for higher wages a while ago, & Gurjis failing to get word from us, agreed to pay the sum demanded.

Agreed, - To write that inasmuch as the demand was unreasonable, we cannot accede to it.

Gurjis wishes to come to Mardin to confer with us before Annual Meeting -

Agreed, - To write him to inform us upon what he wishes to confer, that we may know whether to tell him to come -

Having information that the case of Osman Temer is going against us because of perversion of the testimony in writing it,

Agreed, - To telegraph to the English Consul in regard to it -

Fri. Morn., May 23, 1879 -

Voted, - That the wall across the south side of our premises be built at once, running on the line - Andrus gives 700 p. toward it.

P.M. -

Voted. - To pay Hanna Kibha 35 p. a month for four month's teaching in Azakh last winter -

Sat. May 24, 1879.

Dewey's Study, –

Some days ago a quarrel happened between Bahni & Bedros of the Middle School, in which the pistols of the latter were mixed up. After most careful investigation it appears that the pistols came in only accidentally & were not snapped in the scuffle –

Voted, – that Dr. Thom talk with Bahni & Mr. Andrus with Bedros, showing to each his fault, exhorting to greater carefulness in future, & endeavoring to effect a reconciliation. If this is effected, no further punishment to be inflicted, but a warning to be given to all the young men in our care, & hereafter no one to be allowed to keep firearms in his room. – (Reconciliation took place in presence of all the missionaries Sat. Eve. – & Monday p.m. the warning was given, also in presence of missionaries)

Andrus & Dewey appointed delegates to the Annual Meeting to convene here in June –

Tuesday, May 27, 1879 –

Various sittings were held yesterday & today for work on the estimates for next year.

Voted, – that 900 p. of the Lowrie donation be applied to the work in Mosul, as follows; –

390 p. to the pastor, for instruction in higher branches in the school –

150 p. – to a fund to purchase books for deserving poor students

360. p. – for a teacher of needle-work & knitting in the girls' school –

Tues. Morn., June 3, 1879.

Voted, – That 'Isay be dropped from the Middle School for the present, & that his brother Eshaiah be particularly informed of the circumstances –

Thurs. P.M., June 5, 1879.

Voted, – That so long as flour continues above 5 p. a rottle the students whom we aid be allowed to work four more hours a week @ 1/2 p. an hour, & that to those having families working the full time 1/2 p. a week additional be paid –

Mon. June 9, 1879.

Two sittings in Dewey's study –

Voted, – that as Mukhday Kibby is going to Kafergi, he be advanced two months' wages –

Bedros of the Middle School, having been sentenced to a fine of one lira, or 8 days imprisonment for an assault last week, was called – He decided to go to prison –

Voted, - That as Eemer of the Midyat school has been guilty of perjury, he be at once dismissed from school.

Pastor Elyas having asked advice in regard to his relations to the Sert church was advised to either present his resignation at once, or to wait for further communications a few months, meantime making no reply to letters received -

Voted, - To ask Dr. Bliss to raise Shemas Suleeba's salary to 400 p. a month for the time he is actually in Bagdad, because of the high price of living there -

Voted, - That the remainder of the Lawrie donation, about 500 p. be applied to the outfit + travelling expenses of the girls who came from Mosul to enter the Women's Training School.

Voted, - To charge 600 p. aid given the Mosul pastor to Native Agency.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Thurs. Morn., June 12, 1879.

Minutes of preceding meetings were read + approved.

Voted, - To ask pastor Elyas to go to Kulleth for the present.

Voted, - That Mr. Andrus go to Kulturbul + Karabash next week.

Voted, - That a regular station meeting be held next Tues. m. at which the ladies of the station be invited to be present.

Fri. Morn., June 13, 1879.

Agreed, - That the interior of the new house in Benabeel be plastered. 50 p. were given to Melki to purchase lime for that purpose -

Fri. Eve. June 20, 1879.

Andrus's Study - Misses Sears + Pratt present, also.

Voted, - That the Women's Training School be continued through the coming winter, provided, that the lady teachers each secure at least four weeks' vacation during the hottest part of the summer.

Voted, - That Pastor Elyas's salary in Kulleth be 200 p. a month until Jan. 1st, if he shall remain there so long.

Voted, - To send to Aleppo for a load of mats for the schools.

Wed. Eve., June 25, 1879.

Mr. Andrus having spent the Sabbath in Kulleth reports a favorable state of things there + a warm welcome to Pastor Elyas.

Voted, - That we arrange for a Convention of the native helpers in the Mardin field, to be held in Mardin commencing on the 23rd day of Oct. next. It is expected that the mission will bear the expenses one way of those attending -

 Midyat, Aug. 14, 1879.

Present, Andrus & Dewey-

The following results were reached on various matters.

I. The Midyat Middle School.

1. Agreed to ask leave from the Board to sell our share of the Suleeba house, for which 1700 p. can be obtained, & to build new, probably above the village, for which some 80 lires will be needed. Reasons,- insufficiency & unsuitableness of present arrangements.

2. The school will occupy the Suleeba house the coming winter, the inner rooms serving as quarters for the single men, while the married men will be disposed as circumstances will allow.

3. About Oct. 15. the first class will be sent out for 6 mos. probably as follows,- Daood to Bate, Hanna to Habsenas, Mukdsy Isely to Zas, or to Bati if for any reason Daood fails, Yakob to Keferah. If all fail, Ishaiah to Bati. M. Gelly to have from 100 to 120 p. a month, the others from 110 to 120.

4. Three or four more men will be received to the second class.

II. Teacher Jurjis feels that he must leave Midyat, but will stay till spring, when perhaps he will be needed in Mosul. He will occupy this winter the house purchased for chapel site, which will be plastered inside. The house he now occupies will be given up if that will stop the rent,- if not it may be used for the married students. In consideration of the lessening of the work in school, he will assist as occasion may require in the general work.

III. Yusef Isay will preach & attend to political work, or if it seems best to employ him elsewhere, Suleeba may take it.

IV. The Boys' School will occupy the chapel; Esmer to be employed as teacher if the matter which took him out of the Middle School can be satisfactorily arranged.

V. The present teacher in Kerboran to enter the Midyat Middle School Nov. 1st, his place to be taken for five mos. by Murad, the preacher's son, at a salary of about 40 p. a month.

Mardin, Mon. P. M., Sept. 29, 1879.

Dewey's Study-

Voted,- That Raji be permitted to go to Midyat, at his own expense, for the purpose of settling up his brother's affairs.

Voted,- That the garden be turned over to Mr. Andrus- & that 'Alee be paid 400 p.- to stay & take care of things till Mch. 1, 1880.

Agreed,- To have the house in the stable yard examined with reference to making it habitable for the hostler's family.

Willis C. Dewey- Sec'y-

Dewey's Sitting Room - Tues. Ev., Sept. 30., 1879.

Minutes of preceding meetings read & approved. Mr. Andrus reported that arrangement with Kanner failing, Eshaiah has been engaged as teacher for boys' School in Midyat.

Voted, - That thorough examination of the ground at the garden be made, & estimates obtained for building, both joined to the present building & separate from it.

Voted, - To send a letter of sympathy to Mukdsy Said in Midyat, who is greatly troubled by the Protestants on account of misconceptions of his position, & also to write to Gurjis to explain to the people -

Voted, - That the ladies of the station be cordially invited to be present at the regular station meetings & participate in the discussions whenever they feel inclined so to do -

Voted, - To offer the Prot. Com. of Kutterbul 50 p. a month for for five mos. toward the support of Sadie of Karabash, if they will engage her to teach a girls' school this winter -

Voted, - To write to Melki of Kabe to see what arrangement can be made for a boys' school there, & let us know -

Tues. Ev. Oct. 7, 1879.

Andruses - Agreed, - To write to Gurjis of Midyat to carry out the arrangement made in August for employment of 1st Class.

Agreed, - To write in reply to letters from Dairiki that we do not expect Efraim to come to the Conference of Helpers -

Agreed, - That we do not think it best to raise Melki Marina's salary, nor can we remit his debt of three liras, but in view of the stringency of the times, will not require payment now.

Voted, - That as Eshaiah of Kulleth has taken to himself a wife his salary be raised to 125 p. a mo. reckoned from Sept. 1st.

Voted, - To inform Absharah that we have no objections to his mother being employed as nurse; we do not like the bringing of her family on to the Mission premises, but will not object if he can provide quarters, but we cannot permit her to occupy the N. E. room of the School Building (below) as it may be wanted for other purposes & is entirely unsuitable.

Voted, - To send Susie to Goeli to open a girls' school, for two months on trial -

Sat. Ev., Oct. 11, 1879.

Dewey's study -

Voted, - To telegraph Suleeba to spend the winter in Bagdad, &

rent a place for sale of books.

Voted, - To engage Neho as teacher in Kabe till Jan. 1st @ 50 p.

Voted, - To inform Mukdsy Said in regard to a former employee of the Persian Mission seeking work, that we do not think it desirable to employ him.

Voted, - That Dr. Thom be authorized to provide at premises expense a new door for the kitchen of the house in which he lives.

Voted, - That the Dr. secure estimates for rebuilding the house in the stable yard & report. Also, to have manure removed.

Willis C. Dewey, Secy.

Tues. P. M. Oct. 14, 1879.

Dr. Thom's -

Minutes of preceding meetings read & approved.

Hamed Kase & Jiji Annseah offer to rebuild the house in the stable yard furnishing all additional material needed for 1000 p.

Voted, - To give them the job & pay the sum from gain on lire.

Five hundred piasters allowed Mr. Andrus on account of extra expenses in entertaining the Reform Commissioner in Midyat stands charged to Touring till end of year.

Treasurer gave notice out 1500 p. of year's appropriations yet to draw.

Voted, - That if Susie can make arrangements for her board in Hoeli, she be paid 55 p. a month.

Voted, - To close the Middle School Friday Oct. 24 & require the pupils to be in attendance at the sessions of the Convention of Helpers that day; to devote the next Monday forenoon to an examination in such studies as the principal shall choose; to provide for the convenience of visitors a seat similar to the church settees; to warn Yusef Gazelo & Jurjis bin Yacob that they are liable to have to fall back a class next spring.

Agreed, - To sell pastor of Mosul church small Hymn Books to donate to S. S. at 20 % discount.

Voted, - In accordance with suggestions in a letter from the American Press, Beirut, to apply to the Com. in Beirut representing the London Tract Society, for a grant in aid of our work, of such amount as they shall think proper, in publications to be selected by us from such as are published in Arabic at the said Society's expense.

Voted, - To go on & build at the garden.

Willis C. Dewey, Secy.

Tues. Eve. Oct. 21, 1879.

Dewey's -

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Voted, - That a kitchen be built in Benabeel at expense not to exceed 100 p. As the people promise only 100 days labor toward building house of worship there, it was decided to defer it.

Sat. Ev., Oct. 25, 1879.

Andruses,—

Midyat asks for pastor Elyas, promising a house for him to live in & 600p. a year towards his support.

Wed. Morn. Oct. 29, 1879.

Voted,— To write to Dairiki that we will pay 100 p. to help them through the year, said amount to come from the Lawrie fund.

Pastor Elyas has decided to present his resignation to the Sert church & go to Midyat.

Voted,— That his salary continue at the same figure as in Killeth.

Yusef Raji writes to pastor Jurjis intimating a purpose to make complaint against Mukdsy Said to prevent his obtaining a place in the government.

Voted,— To telegraph to Raji to take no action in the matter till he has conferred with us.

Afternoon —

Voted,— To reduce the working time of Middle School pupils to 8 hours per week & to add two p. a week to the allowance of each so long as the present distress continues.

Voted,— That Messrs. Andrus & Dewey attend at the organization of the Karabash church & ordination of its pastor next week. Also that Ishaiah & Melki of Benabeel have leave to attend.

Voted,— To reckon Mukdsy Melki's salary for the current year at 5 p. a month more, & pay the amount, 60 p. from the Lawrie donation.

Thurs. A.M., Oct. 30, 1879.

Dewey's—

After a long talk with Yusef of Kerboran it was agreed to advance his salary up to the end of the year, & he was advised to sell his house in Sert at first favorable opportunity.

Friday, Oct. 31, 1879.

Dr. Thom's—

Voted,— That the balance due on Ishaiah's note be paid.

Voted,— That the advance on salary asked by Jurjis of Midyat be not made. Also, that he be urged to remain at his work, but if he insists on visiting Mosul now he be given leave of absence till Jan. 1, & 110 p. be paid him from the Lawrie donation a like amount having been promised from another source.

Jurjis reports that arrangement has been made with the men of the first class, Midyat, who go out to the villages, at 110 p. a month. Agreed,— To put fuel & lights upon the communities except in Habsenas, where as there is no community 50 p. more for the winter be paid. M. Gelly to receive 120 p. a month. The young men to come back to school in the spring if they shall have acquitted themselves well.

Voted,— To credit whatever the Midyat community contribute above 300 p. this year towards their pledge for next year.

Tues. Ev., Nov 4, 1879.

Dr. Thom's

Voted, - That the missionaries who attend the ordination at Karabash be allowed to take their families with them at station expense -

Voted, - That the Bert Community be allowed to select books to the value of 1275 3/4 p. as offset to the amount claimed from us, & that hereafter the book business with Bert be conducted on cash basis, we supplying them at 20 % discount.

Voted, - That 1500 p. loaned in Hassan Kafe five years ago in lieu of house rent be now collected & sundry expenses connected with the Midyat premises be paid from it, the balance to be held in reserve for like expenses in future -

Voted, - that the Treasurer be authorized to instruct Jurjis Katân to pay 50 p., amt of a draft from Oroomiah, to Kas Mikhail's widow, as best meeting the wishes of sender of the draft.

Voted, - that as the Mossoorya brethren propose to furnish lime for pointing the chapel there if we will pay for the work, we will pay not to exceed 100 p., to come from Lawrie donation

Agreed, - To make another effort to secure a house in Habsenas, & failing therein to transfer the man to Saleh -

Voted, - To write to Eshaiah that in view of the uncertainty of his remaining any length of time in Kulleth he had best not remove his books at present -

Voted, - That Dr. Thom be requested to reply to a call from Aintab for a few weeks assistance in the Medical Dept. of the College, that much as we should like to help them we do not feel that he can be spared from Mardin -

Wed. Nov. 5, 1879.

Voted, - That Mr. Andrus be authorized to spend the winter in Mosul -

Sat. P.M., Nov. 15, 1879.

Voted, - To put a small glass window in the house in Midyat which Jurjis is to occupy this winter -

Letter from Midyat in the name of the Prot. Com. charges Mukdsy Said with taking bribes & says Yusef & Elleh are of no profit there!

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Tues. Ev., Nov 18, 1879.

Andruses -

Minutes of previous meetings read & approved -

Bro. Andrus reports as the result of special inquiries that the cost of staple articles of food had advanced from 300 to 400 % over last year!

Voted, - To pay the Karabash Community 100 p. a month from

now till the end of March toward the support of a teacher for the boys' school, a teacher for the girls' school, & a Bible woman, the arrangement to be approved by us.

Jurjis Hamal has left the Middle School because he cannot live on the amount of aid given, & because the missionaries will not lend him money nor give him a book in place of one he gave away in Oorfa!

Agreed, - To try to get a note from him for the balance of his debt, payable in one year without interest.

Friday Ev., Nov. 21, 1879.

After consultation upon the case of Yusef Esay's ~~case~~ who is now idle waiting the issue of inquiries into charges against him, Agreed, - To let his salary continue to the end of the year & see then what it is best to do.

Saturday Morn., Nov. 22, 1879.

Voted, - That Efraim, who has been for some time laying off, be directed to return to Dairiki; that he be paid for only half the month of Nov.; & that as his father refuses to assist him his wages be raised from 70 to 80 p. a month from Jan. 1, 1880.

Tues. Ev. Nov. 25, 1879.

Andruses.

Voted, - To pay from the Lowrie donation the expenses of the transfer of pastor Elyas's family from Mosul, except the amount paid the person who came with them.

Voted, - To give the Bible Reader Abd el Ahad, 200 p. aid, to be charged to Am. Bib. Soc. & to ask to have his salary raised to 150 p. a month after Jan. 1, 1880.

Voted, - That offices & work be distributed for the ensuing year as during the year past.

Voted, - To pay from the appropriation for building in Benabeel 40 p. more for the kitchen.

February, 1880.

About the end of last year the Mardin church suspended Yusef Esay for a year. It is agreed that so far as regards the charges upon which the church based its action, there is no occasion for notice on our part. But the church record of a confession made by Yusef represents him as acknowledging that he was guilty in regard to the two charges preferred

by Raji, while he declares to the missionaries that he protested his innocence. On the ground of this discrepancy Yusef is debarred from pulpit service during the two months of Feb. & March. At Dr. Thom's request, his "positive negative to this vote" is entered on the station minutes.

Voted, – That Kas Mansoor of El Kosh be paid 150 p. a month to be charged in a separate account of items for Enlargement of the Southern Work.

Voted, – To raise the salary of Jurjis Kas Abd el Messiah to 250 p. a month, beginning from Jan. 1, 1880.

March, 1880.

Voted, – That Yeshua & Bahad be taken from the Middle School Apr. 1st – the former to go to Habsenas @ 150 p. a month, the latter to Midyat as teacher in the Boy's School @ 140 p. month.

Voted, – That the students of the Midyat Middle School who have been out in the villages during the winter, remain as at present temporarily, Hanna going from Habsenas to Salah.

Monday, Apr. 19, 1880.

Andruses Study.

Voted, – That 1000 R. of flour now under contract be applied for the relief of 320 destitute persons in Mardin & the adjacent villages for 72 days at the rate of 100 drams per day to each adult. Also to send Shemas Suleiba to the villages to make out for each after careful investigation a list of the actually destitute, giving names of heads of families, number of souls reckoning each child under 12 years of age as ½ an adult, & the Community to which each family belongs, – these for comparison with lists similarly made out by the helpers in the respective villages.

Receipts for Famine Relief to date, – from H. B. M. Consul Diarbekir, Maj. Trotter, 2000 p., Constantinople 2273. Total 4273.

Dewey's. Tues. p. m., Apr. 20, 1880.

Decided to set Shemas Hanna, Mukdsy Antoon, & Yusef Ibay at work canvassing the city for poor lists.

Voted, – To inform Jurjis Hanna, who having left the Middle School six months ago now wishes to be taken back, that the school year will begin Sept. 1st, & if he wishes to present himself at that time we will then consider his case.

Voted, – To send a full delegation, two missionaries & one lady teacher, to the Annual Meeting to be held at Van.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Andruses- Thurs. P.M., Apr 22, 1880-

Minutes from Nov. 18th to Apr. 19th read & approved. Sittings yesterday & today were devoted to examination of poor lists- Mardin Com- wishes to purchase some of flour we are to receive on contract- decided we cannot rightly let them have it- Dr. Thom undertakes to supply them from wheat he has in Kharpoot-

Voted,- To take the surplus of said wheat off Dr.'s hands with reference to supplying students of Middle School-

Dewey's- Fri. A.M. Apr. 23, 1880-

Voted,- That inasmuch as nearly all the pupils of the Midyat boys' school left upon Bahad's instalment as teacher because he could not teach them in Syriac, the former teacher be reinstated, & Bahad sent to Bati with instructions to give special attention to acquiring the Tooranee.

Agreed,- That Daood & Hanna return to the Midyat Middle School, & that Amoos be invited to enter it-

While on a trip to the Garden, Sat. Apr. 24, 1880-

Voted,- That Bro. Andrus & Dr. Thom be delegates to Ann. Meeting, & that it be left to the young ladies to decide which of them will go-

Voted,- To contract for the building of a house of three arches on the point below the crest of the ridge to the North of the garden property, to be completed by Aug. 1, 1880-

Andruses- Tues. P.M., Apr. 27, 1880-

Much time yesterday & today given to work on poor lists-

Voted,- That in lieu of the weekly allowance to the students of the Middle School from this time to the close of the term in August, we give them 2½ R. of flour, or 1¼ woolchucks of wheat per month, Esya's family to count 3 persons, & Abshah's 2½; the payment for work, 4 p. a week, continuing as heretofore- Or, 2 R. flour or 1 W. wheat per mo. & 2½ p. a week-

Voted,- In accordance with word from Dr. Bliss, to pay Shemas Suleeba 20 medjidies a month for the time actually spent in Bagdad & 12½ M.- a month for the remainder of his service- Service for Bib. Soc.- was Apr. 1, 1879 — Mch. 9, 1880—

Voted,- That of $150- for famine relief rec'd through Mr. Stocking of Oroomiah, $50- be sent to Mar Yusef for relief in his vicinity, 15 L.T. be used for relief in Jezireh as pledged by Mr. A. when there, & the remainder turned into general fund-

Voted,- That engagements made by Mr. A- for famine relief to the South also be put on the general account-

Dewey's – Wed. P.M., Apr. 28, 1880 –

Agreed, – To make up the poor lists for distribution of flour as follows; – 1. From the villages to take only names that appear both on the helper's list & on Shemas Suleeba's. 2. From the city to take only the widows, orphans, & disabled – As this gives a list of 684 souls the rate is reduced from 100 to 50 drams per day for the adult person. Coupon tickets for five distributions, one a week, will be issued at once, & the lists will be carefully revised before the second issue of tickets. 500 okes of hard tack from Maj. Trotter will be distributed, an oke to the person, to such as have been reported from the city whose names are not put on the list for continued aid –

Voted, – To offer Abd el Messiah contract for building at the garden at 6000 p. His estimate was 4603 p. –

Fri. A.M. Apr. 30, 1880 –

Agreed, – To send a man to Diarbekir to take a raft load of wheat down the river to Til & thence to Sert. one kale to Abd el Messiah on account, 3 kales for gratuitous distribution the rest to be sold out in small quantities to the most needy at actual cost –

Voted, – To send word to Yusef Rehan to remain in Kerboran in hope the work may revive –

Voted. – To instruct Jurjis to aid five poor families in Amer whose case has been reported to us, at the rate of 50 drams flour a day to the adult person –

Dr. Thom's – Thurs. P.M., May 6, 1880 –

Voted, – That the rest of the wheat in Dr's house be turned over to famine relief account –

Voted, – That 500 p. of Dr. Lawrie's last donation be applied to the relief of needy in the Prot. Com. of Mosul –

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Fri. p.m., May 7, 1880 –

Minutes from time of last reading read & approved. In response to appeal for aid from Mardin Com –

Voted, – To put upon our lists such cases from the Prot. Com. as the rules already adopted will cover. Five tickets issued –

Voted, – That Shemas Suleeba remain in Mardin to give assistance in famine relief & other matters during the absence of the delegates to An. Meeting –

Voted, – That Esya be allowed to send his family home at the close of the term of the Fem. Sem –

Voted, – That Yohanna bn Mukdasy Daood be received to the Middle School as a candidate for the Gospel work & given aid at the same rate as other students –

Fem. Sem. Parlor— Sat. P.M., May 8, 1880.

Rough draft of An. Report of the Station for 1879 was read by Mr. Dewey & approved.

Voted, — To dispose of pupils of Fem. Sem. for vacation as follows—
Miriam, — Ward Shemseya. Rakeel, — Dairiki.
Khuzme, — Midyat. Toma, — Kutturbul,
Roomeya, — Goeli. Lucy, — Kulleth.

Salary of 15 p. a month to be paid to all but Toma who shall have 25 p. a month. Allowance for board of each to be per mo. two R. flour or its equivalent, & 20 p. money.

Wed. P.M., May 12, 1880.

Dr. Thom's, —

Voted, — That cost of kitchen for Girl's School, 923 p. be charged to Education.

Voted, — In response to proposition from Y.M.C.A. to furnish a room, stock it with books & papers, & pay running expenses if missionaries will furnish a Curator, that as soon as the arrangements are made Yusef Esay be placed in charge temporarily, & Dr. Bliss informed— this for a free reading-room.

Mr. Andrus reported a house engaged in Tel Kafe for the interest on 500 p.— & a young man for preacher there.

Dewey's— Thurs. P.M., May 13, 1880.

Voted, — To continue the two Bible Readers in the city temporarily at Mission expense after July 1— This because of a notice that after that date the Bib. Soc. will no longer employ readers.

Voted, — To give them aid because of the straitness of the times to an amount not to exceed one third of salary between March 1st & July 1st to M. Bahi, & not to exceed one fourth of salary between same dates for Jurjis.

Mon. P.M., May 17, 1880.

Dewey's—

Voted, — To send one half the Wheat sent us by Maj. Trotter for distribution, to be ground for next Saturday's distribution. Said amount was 9 Diarbekir kilehs.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Andrus's— July 9, 1880.

Dr. Thom not yet returned from Van.

Voted, — To send word to Sert for three girls reported on by Miss Sears, to come to the Women's Training School— Also to two boys to come to the Middle School, & two others to Midyat.

Voted, — That in order to test the village of Ermoona which wishes a teacher, & a brother in Sert who wishes to enter the work, he be invited to go thither taking his tools & working at his trade four days in the week, teaching on the Sab. & giving the other two days to evangelical work, the people to furnish him lodging & food.

Voted, — That permission be given the wife of M. Melki of Kabe to

come to Mardin because of her health & S. Suleeba be written to bring her.

Dr. Thom's. Tues. P.M., July 20, 1880.

Minutes from time of last reading to July 9th read & approved. Session was consumed in discussion of the Stable, relation of Med. Dept. to station, & kindred matters.

Dr. Thom's. Wed. A.M., July 21, 1880.

Inquiries & explanations pursued for a time. The Prud. Com. having authorized giving aid to helpers in need to an amount not to exceed one half amt now paid by Board.

Voted, that the Treas. be requested to furnish as soon as possible the data necessary to give the station full understanding of the exact financial condition of each helper so far as the station Treasury is concerned.

Treasurer reported from data already on hand.

	Salary	From Board	Debt	Grant	Cash	on debt	Bal. debt
Aboshe, Kutturbul.	2400.	1200.	689.	500.	311.	189.	500.
Hanoosh, Karabash.	2400.	1200.	163.				
Melki, Kabe,	1800.	1680.	740.	500.	259.	241.	500.
Khudhersha, Dairiki.	2760.	1500.	0.				
Gibrael, Monsoorya,	1980.	1740.	746.	600.	354.	246.	500.
Melki M. Kalaat,	2640.	2340.	614.	400.	286.	114.	500.
Mardo, Koeli,	1800.	1620.	0.	250.	250.		
Melki, Benabeel,	1980.	1920.	768.	650.	282.	368.	400.
Jurjis, Midyat.	3000.	3000.	580.				
Abd el Messiah, Sert,	1980.	1980.	0.	325.	325		
Efraim, Dairiki,	960.	960.	0.				
Lahdo, Kalaat.	420.	420.	10.	108.	108.		
Elyas, Kulleth,	2400.	1800.	788.	500.	212.	288.	500.
Shaie, Midyat,	960.	960.	240.				
Elleh, "	1140.	1140.	35.				
Bahad, Bati.	1260. 9 mos.	1260.	342.	250.	108.	142.	200.
Abdo, BinKelb.	1560.	1560.	190.	200.	110.	90.	100.
Yusef, Kerboran,	1800.	1800.	150.	350.	250.	100.	50.
Murad, "	360.	200.					
Yeshua, Habsenas,	1350. 9 mos.	1350.	250.	350.	200.	150.	100.
Jiji, bu Dewai,	1500.	1500.		250.	250.		
Muksdsy Bahi.	1800.	1800.		300.	300.		
Eshaiah, Kulleth.	1500.	1500.					

Part of these were acted upon at a later meeting, but all are put together here for convenience. Each case was decided upon its own merits, & of the aid given part was applied on debt, & part paid in cash with the understanding that no advance will be made on salary for money.

Andrus's Study. Thurs. A.M., July 22, 1880.

Voted, that two animals be brought in from the garden tonight

for Miss Sears & Jacob to go to Kulleth_

After discussion of general matters & further explanation in regard to stables with which Dr. professed himself satisfied

Voted_ That his resignation of charge of the stables be not accepted_

Agreed,_ That in all transactions affecting disposal of Mission property no proposition other than that of cash in hand be entertained without the approval of the station_

Voted,_ That the large mule & bay horse be kept for station use & disposal of the others committed to Dr._

Agreed,_ That any engagement made by one member of the station, though disapproved afterward by the station, shall not be cancelled save for most urgent reasons_

Voted,_ That the Treas. be authorized to take from the appropriation for High School Building an amount sufficient to complete the wall on the lower side of the premises, an appropriation for the wall to be asked for next year with explanation

Voted,_ That we do not see our way clear to grant the request of the Mardin Prot. Com. to assign them Bahni as teacher_

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y_

Dr. Thom's Study_ Mon. P.M. July 26, 1880_

Minutes from the last reading to date read & approved_

Voted,_ That three young men in Mosul favorably reported by Mr. Andrus be invited to come on to Mardin with a view to entering the Middle School, & that in view of the special circumstances of the year we pay half their travelling expenses, not to exceed 75 p. each_

Question was raised of employing Mukhy Asho in the evangelical work, & it was agreed to give him opportunity for explanations in regard to his leaving the work some years ago before deciding it_

Agreed,_ That Raji be paid in full for 4½ mos. work 1125 p._

Dewey's Study_ July 27, 1880_

Programme for Examination & closing exercises of the Middle School Aug. 5 & 6, was presented & approved_

Andrus's Study_ Thurs. P.M. July 29, 1880_

Sert church has taken a site for church building at a cost of 150 £. They think they can raise 50 £ & would like to have the missionaries furnish the other 100. at once!

Agreed,_ To answer pointing out the mistake they have made, explaining the position we occupy in such matters, reminding them of the advice given by Mr. A. when there not to purchase, & saying under these circumstances we are unable to aid them, but propose some of the brethren shoulder the matter & authorizing them to dispose of the old property & apply proceeds_

Famine Relief receipts 140877 p. gold,_ disbursements ~~[illegible]~~ 42812 _ balance 98065_ Mr. Dewey to prepare report to go with treasurer's statement

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y

Dr. Thom's Study - Tues. P.M., Aug. 3, 1880 -

Minutes from last reading to date read & approved.

Agreed, - that it is most desirable in places where there is a fully organized community for the helper to receive his salary from the Com. - the Treas. of the station paying to the Com. - the proportion of salary which comes from the treasury of the Board -

Voted, - that with the understanding such arrangement be made in Dairiki, a draft now sent by the pastor be paid, & that he be admonished of the irregularity of his procedure - Also voted that the school take vacation -

Voted, - that it is not best to employ M. Asho at present -

Voted, - that Abd el Messiah be paid 20 p. a day for his extra work at the garden. Also, that Saoody go to work at the wall on the lower side of the city premises -

Treasurer reported that the building at the garden has already cost some 2 £ more than the 50 £ appropriated - Voted, - to turn over to garden the 5 £ appropriated for lumber for the present year -

Agreed, - to furnish work at the garden to such students of the middle school as wish during vacation, not to exceed 48 hr. a week at ½ p. an hour. Treasurer reports aid has been given to students of this school 1080 p -

Agreed, - to notify Um Susie to vacate school premises by Sept. 1st -

Voted, - To write to Mr. Baldwin to purchase & forward as speedily as possible for Famine Relief 200 blankets -

Wed. P.M., Aug. 4, 1880 -

Dewey's Study -

Voted, - that an Azakhlee reported for Midyat School be received & given some little assistance till some of us may visit Midyat & see how he is doing -

Voted, - that the men about to graduate from the Middle School be given an option of 3 weeks vacation before going to work, receiving meantime ⅔ salary - Yassie was assigned to Hassan Kafe @ 90 p. a month; Bohnie, Mosul Boys' School @ 100 p.; Saya to Kulleth @ 150; Absharah to the Mardin Com. for their Boys' School, his wife to take the Infant School about to be opened - the Com. propose to pay the two 150 p. month. Aids will also be given them, - the married men 250 p. & the single 150 p. each, & the salary of each one who wishes will be paid up now to Jan. 1st, no more to be paid till Jan. 15 -

Voted, - that for considerations of health Melki of Kabe & Marde of Hali change places -

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y -

Dr. Thom's Study — Tues. P.M., Aug. 10, 1880 —

Minutes were read & approved.

Voted, — To allow Abd el Messiah 175 p. for partition in house at garden.

Mr. Andrus reported that he had telegraphed & written pastor Elyas in Midyat to have the mission house cleared of strangers. Also that he had notified Eshaiah to remove from Kulleth to Zas.

Agreed, — that Eshaiah's case does not call for aid from Treas.

Voted, — To adopt the following rules in regard to paying helpers.

1. The salary of each native helper for each current month shall be due him on the 15th day thereof —

2. In the vicinity of Mardin & places where the station may have a business agent no money shall be paid on account of the Treasury of the Am. Board under any circumstances whatever to any native helper before it is due —

3. But in the case of a helper entering the work an advance may be made of such amount as the station shall decide as also a certain proportion thereof to be deducted without fail from each monthly payment to him till the debt is cancelled —

4. Each autumn, to assist the helpers in procuring their winter supplies an advance may be made upon each salary of such amount as the station may decide, this advance to be repaid by deducting one fourth thereof from each of the four next monthly payments of salary —

Voted, — That Mr. Andrus reply to a telegram from Maj. Trotter asking information on famine prospects —

Voted, — To employ Jiji Speer at 150 p. a month to purchase grain to store for distribution to poor next winter —

Voted, — To give Shemmie Murad six moolchucks of wheat, & that her salary be 75 p. a month beginning Sept. 1st —

Dewey's Study — Fri. Aug 13, 1880 —

Treasurer presented draft of report of receipts & expenditures for famine relief — After slight emendation, approved.

Andruses — Wed. P.M. Aug. 18, 1880 —

Minutes up to date read & approved —

Voted, — That salaries be paid up to Jan. 1 to help procure winter supplies, each helper being given to understand he can draw no more till Jan. 15,

Voted, — That no compensation in the way of salary be made to Neely for teaching in Kalaat during vacation —

Voted, — To give Bahi Speer 250 p. on his debt of 500 —

Voted, – To pave the kitchen for the Girls' School, the East half with smooth, & the West half with rough stones, & to make a drain from the S. E. corner –

Voted, – To give Mansoor of Mosul 250 p. aid, & to advance his own salary up to Jan. 1st –

Thurs. P. M. Aug. 19, 1880.

Permission was granted M. Gibbi's wife to take a few days vacation in Kalaat –

Voted, – To purchase the house across the street from the one now occupied by pastor Jurjis, on receipt of a legal paper from the Prot. Com. guaranteeing us from loss –

Voted, – To repair the house in Tel Kafe at an expense not to exceed 250 p. & charge to Southern Enlargement –

Voted, – That Yusef Sestli go to Pakend on salary of 200 p. a month, beginning from the day he rises to go –

Voted, – That the second class of last year in the Middle School be received this year as the first –

Dr. Thom presented account of expenses on Kharpoot wheat that was to have been taken for Students but through some mismanagement was made up into flour & sold. A loss appears of 877 p. gold, which it was proposed to charge to the acct. of aid to helpers, but the Dr. generously assumed it.

During Dr. Thom's absence in Kharpoot – the temporary employment of M. Asho to assist in getting supplies for the Girls' School was approved –

Agreed, – That Mansoor remain in Mosul to open a work in Mohallet el Kalaa, thus keeping his wife in the Girls' School Mosul till other arrangements can be made – Also, that Daood Sikker go to Bar Tully, & Shemas Bootrus take his place at a salary of 80 p. a month, the increased expense involved to be charged to Southern Enlargement –

Agreed, – To advance each pupil in the Middle School 80 p. in money & give him 4 R. barley flour, charging him 100 p. – Micky Hasheesh having his mother is given 8 R. – Luis having made arrangements is given 110 p. & no flour – Yohanna 100 p. & no flour – Melki of Karabash omitted till he can hear from his father –

Agreed, – To propose to the Prot. Com. School Committee to take into the Middle School temporarily the highest class from the Boys' School – Reasons – Economy, & greater efficiency of the schools.

As it seems probable there will be a surplus from the Kabe appropriation for building, agreed to give 800 p. from it to aid Karabash in enlarging chapel –

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y

Dr. Thom's Study— Mon. P.M., Sept. 20, 1880—

Minutes read & approved—

Agreed,— To dispense with an agent in Mosul for a time. Treasurer to send the salaries, & no expense to be incurred without first securing the missionaries approval—

Agreed,— To inform two applicants for admission to the Middle School that the time is past for this year.

Agreed,— To write to Kabe that if the land recently purchased can be exchanged for a plot we wished but were unable to secure, & the Jacobites will agree not to interfere with our building upon it, we will approve—

Dewey's Study— Tues. P.M., Sept. 21, 1880—

Employment of Kasm Effendi to teach Grammar in Girls' School ½ hour a day, for which he shall receive ½ as much as for teaching in Middle School, was approved—

Voted,— That the ladies be permitted to use the 1 L. appropriated for a table for two additional desks—

Agreed,— To receive Georgees Azakhlee to Midyat school, on trial.

Agreed,— that as Jurjis of Mosul has been helped out of debt on the express condition that he keep out, we cannot accede to his request to help him out again!

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y—

Andrus's Study— Sat. P.M., Sept. 25, 1880—

Minutes read up to date & approved—

Voted,— That the present arrangement for sale of books in Diarbekir, allowing 20% to seller be discontinued—

Voted,— That 80 p. deficiency in M. Melki's salary from the Kabe Com. be paid him & charged to "Aid to Helpers"—

Voted,— That Eshaiah of Kulleth be paid up to Sept. 10th as he was in service up to that date—

Voted,— that the 250 p. aid to Bahi be paid in hand instead of deducted from his debt—

Voted,— That in view of the condition of S. Suleeba's health & the possible need of his services in Kabe he go to Diarbekir—

Voted,— that a list be prepared of articles of property yet unsold from outfits of former missionaries together with the prices at which they have been held, & sent to Boston with a statement of how they are in the way & request for permission to dispose of them at the highest price that can be obtained.

Voted,— that with reference to more vigorous prosecution of the Jebel et Toor work Bro. Andrus & family remove for a time to Midyat—

Voted, – that all special appropriations for the current yet undrawn be drawn & set aside until needed –

Voted, – that the "green headed" man be employed to take charge of the garden next winter until we send out a gardener for the summer; to be paid 200 p. in advance & 100 at the end of his time, & be held responsible for any damage which reasonable care might have prevented.

Voted, – that the roof-rolling this winter be given to Muchy Asho & the gardener, Bahni, if they can agree –

The Medical Department was discussed & the general principle agreed to that while as regards service to missionaries & their families the Med. Dept. & physician in charge sustain a special relation to the whole mission yet it is essentially a coördinate branch of the station work, & as such is under the general direction of the station & is to be managed in such way as shall best promote the main work of evangelization. Dr. Thom then offered some rules he had drawn up with a view to securing the greater efficiency of the Dept. After discussion & slight emendation it was agreed to pass them around to the ladies for suggestions before taking final action.

Voted, – that the Dr. have permission to sell the Med. Dep. horse & purchase another at his descretion –

Voted, – that the stove in Dr's house belonging to the station be put in his office –

Dr. Thom's Study – Tues. P.M., Sept. 28, 1880 –

Voted, – To request Mansoor to find out & report to what date each helper in the vicinity of Mosul has been paid, & how much money will be needed to pay each one in full up to the end of the year. Also to send 15 £. to apply on salaries by the next post –

Voted, – To send 15 £. from the Famine Relief Fund to the Prot. Com. in Mosul, calling attention to three households that have written to us for aid, & notifying these households to apply to the Com. –

Voted, – To reply to a request from Sert for advice as to whether to invite Melki Merini or Aboshe as preacher recommending the former. Also agreed that if Pastor Elyas goes to Kutterbul, Aboshe shall go to Midyat temporarily.

Report from Benabeel that 320 days labor are pledged toward building a chapel. Agreed to send them word to make out estimate with Pastor Jurjis of a suitable building within reach of means in hand. 12 £. & 320 days labor –

Willis C. Dewey – Secy –

Dewey's Study — Fri. P. M., Oct 1, 1880.

Minutes from last reading up to date read & approved.

Mr. Dewey reported that after Shemmie Murad has taken the six measures wheat allotted her, there remain in his house about seven measures. Agreed to send it to the magazine for the poor.

Hanna Dyag has written expressing his readiness to go to Bagdad if desired. Agreed to write to Dr Bliss setting forth condition in Bagdad & ask what shall be done.

Agreed, — That the station purchase Mr. Andrus' 15 trees that were used in building at the garden, paying 612 p.

Tues. Eve. — Oct. 5, 1880 —

Station Tea at Deweys —

Report from Benabeel that 4000 p. will be needed to build. But there is a house for sale that might be purchased for Melki's occupation, leaving the present building for use as a chapel.

Voted, — That Dr. Thom go over tomorrow & look at the building.

Agreed, — To employ a messenger to go back & forth between here & Midyat while Mr. A. & family are there, to be paid 20 p. a trip from Postage.

The rules for the management of the Med. Dept. were adopted in the following form —

1. Missionaries & their families shall receive medical advice & needed medicines free.

2. Native Helpers with their families shall receive medical advice at the office free. For medicines they shall pay four fifths of the cost, & for visits one half the usual fee, though these charges, for reason, may be remitted in part by the vote of the station.

3. Students under care of the station may receive medical advice free, either at the office, or if unable to come there at their rooms, but no student shall receive a call or attention at the office out of office hours without a verbal or written request from the teacher in charge. Medicines shall be charged to them at the same rate as to native helpers, — an account being kept with each individual to be settled twice a year, at the times of making up the Semi-Annual Station Accounts, when said account shall be presented to the station for approval. The station shall at that time decide upon the ability of each student to pay, & if he is judged unable to pay his account in full, it shall be charged in whole or in part to Education. When an operation is performed the amount to be paid shall be decided by the station.

4. Employees of the missionaries shall receive medicines on the same terms as helpers, though for visits they shall be subject to the usual charge -

5. Treatment in the office shall be for the best interests of the sick & of the work, & all charges & fees shall be left to the decision of the physician in charge. All moneys received shall be turned over to the Treas. of the Am. Board, & all general & running expenses charged to the Med. Dept.

6. No medicines shall be dealt out gratis, except when in the judgment of the physician (or in his absence one of the station) the recipient is absolutely unable to pay anything -

7. Any missionary wishing to give out medicines gratuitously shall pay for the same the cost price -

Oct 11, 1880 — Agreed, - By Dr. Thom & Mr. Dewey - To rent the house in Benabeel occupied by Melki last previous to his removal to the present house, for a year as a place for meetings, giving therefor the use of eight liras - Reason inability to build with means at command, & the house that was for sale has been withdrawn from market.

Oct 15, 1880. — Proposed by Mr. Andrus & agreed to by station -

1. That as a site for school-buildings in Midyat a piece of ground be purchased on the West side of the village -

2. To sell the Saleeba house in Midyat to Mukdsy Hanna, retaining the use of it with the house adjoining till he shall have paid for it.

3. To assist the students in the Midyat Middle School by giving to each ten Elbes wheat (= 100 p.) & 50 p. in money & to M. Daood 2 Elbes more of wheat, & to Meerza five more on account of children; charging each 120 p. debt to be paid by deducting 5 p. a week from the weekly allowance of each until the debt is paid - this with the understanding that no further aid will be given this winter -

4. That because of the "flatting out" of the Prot. movement in Hassan Kafe Yassie be transferred to Arnas for the winter.

5. That the wells on our premises in Midyat be cleaned, if necessary, & fixed so that surface water cannot run in. Also that a blind drain for slops be constructed -

6. To receive to the second Class in the Midyat Middle School up to three more members, single men, if promising candidates offer, - provided, - appropriation for said school will bear it.

Oct. 18, 1880. — Voted, — To put Shemmie Hasheesh into the Ward Shemseyat School as teacher for 6 mos. Mrs. Thom undertaking her support, — & that Shemmie Murad take up at once the Bible work for which she is designated from Jan. 1 next.

Oct. 19, 1880. — Voted, — That 25 kales remaining in Kulleth of barley purchased from Yusef Karagalli for poor be left there till wanted, — provided, he will undertake to bring the flour as we want it. Also, that M. Jiji be sent to find a suitable place & see to having it measured & stored.

Voted, — To pay 50 p. to Jurji's agent of Midyat Com. for aid to Mr. Andrus at time of disturbance about Hadjo.

Voted, — That Meerza of Midyat middle School be sent to Erdee for the winter at 130 p. a mo. Twenty houses have become Prot. & offer to furnish house & wood for the winter.

Voted, — To allow Ellek 30 p. a mo. instead of 20 as part pay for Khuzmie's board while high prices continue, — to begin Oct. 20

Voted, — To continue Yeshua another 6 mos. in Habsenas.

Proposed by Mr. Dewey & agreed to by station.

1. That the price of Bistany's Lexicon be reduced, — the large to 251 p. & the small to 125, & that the price of the large to students continue at 160 p. without conditions.

2. That the grant of 3 £. T. from the London Tract Soc. be thus applied. 1 £. go into stock of Book Dept. 1 £ into Sem. Library. 1 £. a selection of tracts, &c. for gratuitous distribution, to be in charge of the manager of the Book Dept. & furnished to any member of the station as he or she may desire.

3. That books outside of the Beirut & Const. catalogues desired by the Y. M. C. A. in Mardin be furnished them as far as practicable on the following terms, — they shall bear all expenses in addition to cost of books, the latter item to be paid upon receipt of the bill, & expenses before delivery of the books.

4. That Hanna Meleha & such other of the Middle School pupils as the principal may think best, be allowed to apply their hours of labor in Bible-reading in the city.

Nov. 3, 1880. — Voted, — on motion of Dr. Thom, — To give Isaya in Kulleth additional aid 100 p. & that the remainder of the sum raised by the Kulleth brethren be sent on here. Also, to give additional aid to Melke of Benabeel & M. Gibby of Mon-sooriya each ten ooolchucks of barley.

Willis C. Dewey,
Secretary.

Dewey's Study— Sat. P.M., Jan. 22, 1881—

Minutes read & approved from last reading up to date. The school at Kalaat has run out & Lahdo declines to go to Benabeel, so he is dropped—

Voted,— that Mr. Andrus write to Vice Consul Russell in Mosul asking him to look into the matter of a murderous assault made upon Daood Sitter & Shemas Boutrus in Tel Kafe, & while the case is pending in the govt to secure Daood's restoration to Tel Kafe & protection there— Also, that Daood's salary from Jan. 1st shall be 140 p a mo.

Dr. Thom's— Mon. Ev., Jan. 24, 1881—

Agreed,— To pay Dairiki Com's arrearages of last year, 624/4 p— & charge to account of extra relief to helpers—

Dr. Thom's— Wed. Ev., Jan. 26, 1881.

Voted,— that Mr. Andrus write to Mardo in Kafe, informing him of the nature of reports from the community, & giving notice that if we do not hear a different report within two mos. time his relations with us will cease—

Agreed,— To give Bahi the post man 12½ p. the first time he comes each month, in consideration of his bringing mail & telegrams—

Voted,— that Treas. pay over to Middle School acct. 26 p debt standing against Daood Hetto, & collect the same—

Voted,— that Native Agency pay ½ Hanna Dyag's salary in Bagdad—

Voted,— that the same arrangement be made with gardener as last year—

Voted,— To pay 600 p. for the house in yard east of School premises, if good title can be secured—

Voted,— that the various departments of station work continue for the current year in the same hands as last year, except charge of the garden— Also that Mr. Andrus prepare station report for 1880, & Dr. Thom a special report of the Med. Dept. of a retrospective character to accompany Ann. Rep. of Station.

Dewey's— Fri. Ev. Jan. 28, 1881—

The Estimates for the current year having been cut down about 100 £— yesterday & today have been spent in revising— the estimates as revised were adopted—

Voted,— Not to exceed 900 souls in the second issue of famine Relief tickets in the City of Mardin—

Voted,— that Mrs. Dewey take charge of the garden the ensuing year— Also that Dr. Thom see to sending out manure from stable yard, paying 2 p. a trip with mule & donkey—

Voted,— that as Mosul Com— has not paid the 150 p. a year

for books according to agreement the past two years, the amount, 300p. be now charged in acct to Com-
Mr. Andrus agreed to confer with Mrs. A. in regard to provision for part of our proposition-

Wed. Eve, Feb. 2, 1881.

Dr. Thom's-

Voted,- That Ruffie shall not be called away from the stables for any purpose unless some one else can take his place-

Voted,- To authorize Mr. A. to pay up to 60p.- for 2 dhras land on the premises opposite ours in Benabeel-

Voted,- To allow Dr. Thom freedom of action in regard to a professional call to Cesarea in June-

Voted,- That a list of books for Bagdad prepared by Mr. Dewey be ordered-

Feb. 26, 1881.- Voted,- that Lahdo go to Benabeel 3 mos. @ 50p. a mo., his salary to be provided for out of the gain on the lire in the appropriation for Benabeel-

April 28, 1881.

Mr. Andrus has been present from Midyat to assist in making out estimates for the next year- During the sessions held for the purpose,-

Voted,- that an urgent invitation be extended to the delegation from the Prud. Com- visiting the An- Meeting of the W. T. Mission to come on to E. T.- & that the sister stations be invited to join with us in this request, & also to consider the expediency, in case of compliance with this request, of holding an Annual Meeting immediately after for the purpose of united conference with them- Also, that Central Turkey be invited to join in the request to the visiting delegation-

Voted,- that in case the Mardin Community persist in refusing to contribute toward the support of the schools, the teachers, except Bahi, be notified when the payment for May is given that there is no more money for them in the station treasury-

Agreed,- To ask for 65 lires now to assist the Sert brethren in securing the site for new chapel, with the expectation that about 50 lires more will be asked for when they build-

Agreed,- that Mission Postage shall pay on native letters only for those addressed by helpers to missionaries-

Agreed,- that Mr. Andrus write to Mosul on whole matter of schools &c.

Voted,- To approve estimates for 1882 as now made up, with accompanying notes by the station Sec'y-

May 2, 1881.

A paper was received from the Mardin church & community Sat. Eve., Apr. 30, in which they declare that they have decided to be free (!) by severing their relation to the missionaries in every particular. After careful consideration, an answer was prepared & forwarded to the effect that as they had taken this step, of course they would expect no further aid from the missionaries, either for building, for salaries of pastor, teachers, or Reading Room Curator, or anything else. Also that as we should be obliged to open a school for our own pupils & had set next Monday as the time for so doing, the Middle School cannot occupy the Theol. Sem. building longer than till Fri. Eve. May 6th.

Agreed, - To accept pupils from outside who are able to go on with classes of our students, on payment of one quarter lire in advance for the rest of the term up to the long vacation.

(Minutes from Nov. 14, 1878 to this date are transferred to this book from the book of original entry in order that the records may be all together.)

August 13, 1881.

Dr. Thom's -

Application of Esip for a vacation to go to Karaboor was refused on the ground of insufficient reason for it while considerations of expense & health are against it. He was notified of our purpose to have his family remain in Kalaat the coming winter while he is in Theol. Sem.

Letters from Sert about the employment of Jurjis Khudhersha, it was decided to answer that they must arrange the matter of salary & kiravet with him.

Communication was received from the neighboring villages, offering their services as peace makers between the missionaries & Mardin church & Com.

Agreed, - To reply that while we gratefully acknowledge their Christian courtesy, inasmuch as we made advances to the church & Com. in our reply to the paper of the C. M. C. A. to which no reply has been made, we see no opportunity for the exercise of their good offices as proposed.

Voted, - To answer Efraim about the school that we had hoped to give him an opportunity sometime to finish his course of study, but there will be no first class in the school this year.

Voted, — To advance according to the rules adopted last year, two mos. salary each to such helpers as need to enable them to prepare their moonies, & that it be left to the Treas. to secure as much as possible of the indebtedness of helpers before the end of the year —

A notice prepared by the Dr. of charges for prescriptions & visits was approved — Prescriptions to be in three classes, at 10, 5, & 2½ p. respectively. Visits in the city to be 10 p. this side of the great mosque, & 5 p. to the other side —

Dewey's Study — Tues, Aug. 16, 1881.

Agreed, — To pay Pastor Elyas our share of his salary up to the end of the year, 500 p, reserving 200 on debt.

Voted, — To receive the following to the Midyat Middle School for the next year — Married, M. Dawood, Azakh (returns — the rest new), Shabo, Bate; Somy bn Suleeka, Kerboran; Eleeya bn Tamo, Kalaat; Lahdo, Azakh. Single — Shemoon Alo, Arnas; Shabo Baho, Midyat; Howsho bn Kos, Erdee. These were selected from among over 20 applicants —

Voted, — As an experiment to reduce the aid to single men from 10 p. to 8 p. a week, & give work in aid only to diligent students —

Voted, — To receive the following to the Mardin Middle School for the next year — Second Class — Selimo, Sert; Shemoon, Goeli; Melki, Karabash; these three from the third class of last year, — new, Moosa, Karabash; Melki Semoonoo, Mardin. — Third Class, — Hanna Sehda, Kulleth; Jurjis Hannicky, Midyat; Bn Gope, Kutterbul; Murad Yusef, Kerboran; Yusef Murad, Mardin —

Voted, — To allow Esaya to remove his family to Karabash for the Seminary year —

Voted, — That the Theol. Sem. Class be made up as follows — Absharah, Esaya, Elyas, & Bahni, Mardin Middle School, Class of 1880; Mukhy, do. class of 1881 — Dawood, Lohak, & Amoos, from the Midyat School, & Mardo of Kabe — The latter, added to the number under appropriation, 8, to be provided for by part of the sum appropriated for his salary in Kabe, & the remainder of that sum to be used for keeping up Sab. services in Kabe —

Voted, — To address a letter to Bahi Speer, inquiring as to the position he takes in reference to the variance between the Mardin Ch. & Com. & the missionaries —

65 – Mr. Andrus reports that on a recent visit to Kubleth Luis made to him full confession in the matter, because of which he was removed from school.
Voted, – To restore him to favor & employ him as a teacher – Dr. Thom voted in the negative –
Voted, – Not to send a missionary to the coast to meet the new-comers –

Wed. Morn, Aug. 17, 1881 –

Andruses Study, –

It appears there are some 900 p. still due on the flour contract for famine relief of spring of '80 –
Voted, – To make an effort to change it into a note for 500 p. @ 3 mos, or @ 6 mos. with interest from date –

Dewey's in P.M. –

Voted, – To lay over till spring the matter of school building at Midyat, but to fence the lot with brush & dig two wells – Also to open a back door from the West room below in the Midyat house so that it may be used for a school-room for the Middle School.
Voted, – To receive applicants for admission to the Mardin Training School on condition that they are prepared to enter organized classes, & pay one half lire in advance each half year. Applicants for admission to specific classes will pay 15 p. in advance for the first 100 lessons, & 10 p. in advance for each 100 after. In case Dr. Thom receives a Medical Class, charges to be for the first year each 30 lessons one quarter of a lire, – the second year 3/8 of a lire, & the third year ½ lire. the Druggist to have his lessons in lieu of his work –

Thurs. Eve, Aug. 18, 1881 –

Dewey's Study, –

Voted, – To send Naoom Kello to Karabash for the next year as teacher of the Boys' School, at 80 p. a month, – the difference between this & the appropriation (10 p. a mo.) to be made up from the Kabe appropriation –
Voted, – To pay Bahri wages for Aug. less 27 p. for expenses on the road, which he had reckoned & taken pay for as travelling expenses – Also to give him one Lire aid in view of the high cost of living while he was in Mosul.
Voted, – To dispense with Tomas's services in the stable. Also to make Ruffie's wages 125 p. a month from July 1st he to buy his own shoes –

Voted, — To make an exchange of rooms, turning over the room formerly occupied by S. Suleeba to Mr. Dewey & taking the room in his house next the outer gate for purposes for which the former has been used — Mr. Dewey reserves the right to change back at the expiration of one year if the change proves unsatisfactory

Voted, — That Mr. Andrus be a committee to see to having the Women's School Room whitewashed —

Voted, — To stow Premises property in the cupboard in the Touring Room, putting a lock on the door —

Action of yesterday on famine contract was reconsidered, —

Voted, — To try to get a note for the whole amount due, payable on departure for Van, the one who remains here going security —

Andruses Study — Fri, Aug. 19, 1881 —

Voted, — That M. Gibby with his family go to Amas.

Voted, — To make an advance to students who may desire it of 100 p. to single men & 200 p. to married men to be repaid by deducting 6 & 12 p. a week respectively from the weekly allowance till cancelled —

Voted, — To instruct Yeshua to try to secure a house in Hatsenas for another year —

Voted, — That as Jurjis, Govt Agent in Midyat has been guilty of taking bribes, & has proved unsatisfactory in other respects, he be requested to resign, & that his salary stop from Aug. 1 —

Voted, — To put 50 bales of barley in the stable —

Dr. Thom's — Tues., Aug. 23, 1881 —

Voted, — That as the lady teachers board at Mr. Andruses, & as Dr. Thom's family has been next longest on the ground, the latter be allowed to choose which of the new-comers they will entertain for the coming winter, & the other be taken charge of by Mr. Dewey's family —

Willis C. Dewey, Secy —

A.M. Session Dewey's Study, Tues, Aug. 30, 1881 —
P.M. " Dr. Thom's —

During the sessions minutes from Jan. 22. up to date were read & approved — Since the last record the missionaries have spent three & a half days in the ex-

67. amination of Station accounts, going back to a point in 1874 where the Station Treasurer's Books agree with those of the Mission Treasurer.

Voted, – To allow Mr. Gibby to prepare his money before going to Amas if he wishes, but with the understanding that the station will pay toward his transportation only in the usual proportion.

Voted, – To write to the Karabash Community in regard to Girls' School, that we will pay toward the support of a teacher whom we approve 35 p. a mo. up to Jan. 1.

Voted, – To reply to pastor Hanooshe's request for leave to come to Mardin for a time to study English that there is no good opportunity at present, but will be better some three mos hence after the arrival of the new missionaries.

Voted, – that day pupils be received to the Women's Training School on payment of 4 p. a mo. in advance.

Voted, – To approve a Circular in regard to the Midyat Middle School prepared by Mr. Andrus.

Voted, – To send Yohanna M. Daood to Kulleth as teacher of the boys' school @ 60 p. a month to the end of the year.

Dr. Thom's – Thurs. P.M., Sept. 1, 1881.

Voted, – To refuse a request of Hanna Dyaj's for a loan of money, & to accede to his request that his family be sent to him, half the expense to be charged to Bib. Soc. & half to Mardin.

Mr. Andrus reported from Hanna Khatoone that the brethren on the East side of the city are ready to help to the amount of 1000 p. toward beginning a work there, if we think best to take it up. Agreed, – To inquire whether they will do so much toward a school alone.

The remainder of the session was devoted to accounts.

Thurs. P.M., Sept. 8, 1881.

Dr. Thom's –

Mr. Andrus reported further from Hanna Khatoone that the brethren are not prepared to act on the basis of a school alone.

The question of Boys' School for Dairiki & the suitableness of Abd el Messiah as teacher therefor was discussed & indefinitely postponed.

The Kalaat brethren pledge 4 7/8 p. a week toward the support of the gospel & wish a teacher.

Voted, - To ask them to see what arrangement they can come to with Shemas Hanna & inform us, when we will see what we can do -
Voted, - To inquire of the Mansooriya brethren if they can find some one to sit in our house there & take care of it.
Voted, - That M. Gibby shall for the present draw full salary from the station Treasury, & when the tithes of the Amas brethren are in 90 p. be taken therefrom on acct. of his salary, & surplus of the tithes if any reserved for future repairs -
Voted, - To floor & plaster the house in the stable yard.
Voted, - That teacher Abd el Ahad be at Mr. Dewey's disposal from 1 to 2:30 p.m. daily -
Voted, - That Mr. Andrus be sub-Treasurer for Appropriations for Theol. Sem. & the two Mardin Training Schools.
Voted, - That Dr. Thom get some one to make estimate of expense of breaking up some of the large rocks on our outside premises for fencing purposes -

Mr. Andrus's - Monday P.M., Sept. 12, 1881 -

Voted, - to pay to the Dairiki Community the balance of what will be due to them up to Jan. 1st, 1882 - 465 p -

Dr. Thom's - Thurs. P.M., Sept. 15, 1881 -

A letter was read from the Sert brethren, stating that the Gov't forbids their using their new house for either prayer or school -
Voted, - To recommend them as a preliminary step to dispose of their old chapel.
Voted, - To ask Shemas Hanna & two of the Kalaat brethren to come over for a conference on school matters -
Voted, - To turn the charge of the Touring Room over to Dr. Thom
Voted, - To fix up the new house East of School Premises for temporary accommodation of patients in case of need.
Voted, - That Dr. Thom go to Midyat next week to superintend the opening of the school -
Voted, - That Mr. Dewey confer with Shemas Suleeba in regard to colporteur work in Mardin, & also in regard to his going to Aleppo for such work, should the door open -
Voted, - That regular station meetings be held Thursdays at 1:30 P.M.
Voted, - To send Abd el Messiah to Dairiki as teacher of Boys' schools for the rest of the year 1881 at 150 p. a month -

69 - Voted, - To ask Bahrii to report in detail on his expenses in coming from Mosul, & that such items as properly pertain to Kirwet be paid him.

Voted, - To pay Hanna Sehda Hop., surplus of appropriation for Kulleth Boys School over Yohanna's wages for the rest of the year, on account of teaching in the summer.

Dr. Thom's - Thurs. P.M., Sept. 22, 1881.

Mr. Andrus reported a conference with the Kalaat brethren in regard to school matters, & read a letter from them stating that if we cannot pay a teacher his full wages for them we need not take any further trouble for them, as they can send their children to the Jacobite School, & hold services by themselves on Sundays!

Voted, - To make an effort to secure division of the house of which we own part here in Mardin.

At an informal meeting at Mr. Dewey's, ~~Mon~~

Voted, - To take up Kas Stefan of Charogvoi on trial for six mos. He to go into the Theol. Sem., & weekly allowance of one pupil of the Midyat School to be used for him, the remainder of his allowance being made up from private sources.

Mon. P.M., Sept. 26, 1881.

Dr. Thom's -

Voted, - That matters referred to in a letter from Melki Marina be left till the Dr. returns from Midyat.

Voted, - To reply to a communication from the Y.M.C.A. of Mardin, asking us to either buy back their stock of books or refrain from selling till they have sold out, by inviting them to a Conference on matters pertaining to the Reading Room.

Dr. Thom's, - Thurs. Eve., Sept. 29, 1881.

Reported that of those invited to the Midyat Training School this autumn Eleya Tano of Kalaat, Lahdo of Azakh, Shemoon of Arnas, Shabo of Midyat, & Howsho of Erde decline to attend. The place of the first is taken by Kas Stefan in the Theol. Sem. Mardin.

Voted, - To invite Melki of Arnas, Gorrya of Kerboran, & Hanna Teyo of Midyat to come to said school.

Voted, - To contract in writing with Abdel Messiah Speer to erect on the new lot in Midyat a house of six mosullyes for school purposes at 2500 piasters a mosullye, the building to be according to a plan drawn up by Mr. Andrus ~~last spring~~, - the said Abd el Messiah to finish the house to the hand of the Carpenter

Voted, To write to Luis to go on to Sert & take charge of Boys' School, salary 70 p. a month.

Voted, To give Ibn Ali charge of the garden premises this winter, if satisfactory arrangement can be made with him. he to dwell in the new house, to have 250 p., so much of this sum as is necessary to cancel his father's note to us to be applied that way, & the balance paid him in the spring.

Fri. Eve., Sept. 30, 1881.

Dr. Thom's.

Voted, To resume the arrangement with the Y. M. C. A. of Mardin in regard to support of a free Reading Room, which was broken off May 1st, with the exception that we do not bind ourselves not to sell books from our own shelves. Mr. Dewey voted in the negative, on the ground that it is virtually a backing down from the position taken by the missionaries at the time & strenuously insisted on since in all their communications with the Y. M. C. A.; that there is no sufficient reason for abandonment of that position; & that this action will tend to retard restoration of relations with the church & community.

Voted, That in pursuance of the preceding vote Shemas Suleeba cease colporteur work in Mardin at once.

Mon. Eve., Oct. 10, 1881.

Mr. Dewey's.

Voted, To reply to a letter from Naoom Kello in which he expresses general discontent & a desire to come to Mardin for medical treatment, that we hope he has recovered from his fever & feels better by this time so that he does not need to come.

Voted, To pay the Mosul teachers up to the end of 1881 & leave in abeyance for the present the matter of changes.

Voted, That the salary of Melki Marina in Midyat be 250 p. a month, that we pay now the remainder of our share up to Jan. 1. & grant him 200 p. extra aid in view of his several changes this year, this sum to be applied to the reduction of his debt.

Voted, That as Hanoom has failed in Bin Kelb he be dropped.

Dr. Thom reports that while in Midyat last week he sold the inner part of the Suleeba house for 1200 p. Approved.

The matter of teacher Jurjis & the Midyat Training School was laid over till another time.

Dr. Thom's,— Thurs. Eve., Oct. 13, 1881.

Voted, — That Dr. Thom be authorized to have a third door put in his bedroom, opening to the minshie.—

Report was given of S. Suleeba's Colporteur work in the city, — seven days, costing 56p., — Sales, 133p., & stolen or lost 10p.

Some discussion was had as to the propriety of the lady teachers touring without the approval of the station. — A difference of opinion appearing, Mr. Dewey gave notice of intention to propose at a subsequent meeting a memorial to the Prudential Committee upon the subject, — whereupon the matter was dropped.

Mr. Dewey's— Tues. Eve., Oct. 18, 1881.—

Copies of the memorial alluded to above having been previously circulated, it was taken up at this meeting & after discussion & amendment adopted unanimously in the following form.

"Voted. — that inasmuch as a clear understanding of the rights and privileges of individuals is essential to harmony among ourselves and to the highest prosperity of our work, and as there is diversity of opinion as to what these rights and privileges are in the case of unmarried lady teachers, designated as Assistant Missionaries; —

"We therefore respectfully ask the Prud. Com., as the only competent authority in the case, to inform us in regard thereto. And specifically, —

"1. Is rule 38 as given on page 32 of the Manual for Missionary Candidates (Ed. 1873) still in force? If so, do its provisions under the general term "mission" apply also to stations; and does the adjective "male" in line 6 qualify "missionaries" only, or does it also qualify "assistant missionaries"?

"2. Is the station, or if not the station is the mission, competent to empower female assistant missionaries to vote in station meetings; or if not competent to empower them to vote on all questions, may it authorize them to do so on some, — as the management of schools and work for women?

"3. May the station Treas. pay over in bulk to the female assistant missionaries the appropriations for women's and girls' schools, women Bible-readers, and other forms of work for women, to be used by them at their discretion independent of station supervision? Or may the station, or may the Mission, by formal vote authorize or require him so to do?

"4. Does the work of female assistant missionaries, or do they, sustain any such peculiar relation to the general missionary work that it is not, or they are not in the

same sense as the missionaries and the male assistant missionaries, under the supervision of the station? E. g.-Is it competent for them to arrange and carry out tours at station expense, or to manage the schools in which they themselves are engaged, or schools for women and girls in other parts of the field, independent of station supervision?

'5. To what extent does the Prudential Committee regard the station responsible for such work, and may the station, or may the mission, by formal vote transfer this responsibility to the female assistant missionaries so that they shall be entirely independent of the station?

"We desire to assure the Committee that their instructions in the matter, whatever they may be, will be cheerfully acquiesced in and heartily assented to by the station, one and all."

Voted,- To make inquiries with a view to purchasing a strip of land adjoining our premises in Midyat on the West.

Mr. Dewey's- Thurs. Eve., Oct. 20, 1881.

Voted,- To reply to a letter from Bagdad asking pecuniary aid for sundry individuals that as the famine relief funds in our hands were intended for the relief of general distress & no such distress now prevails in Bagdad, we do not see our way clear to give the assistance asked.

A request for money from Abd el Messiah's wife is refused, as he has drawn his wages in full up to the end of the year.

A letter was read from Jirjis of Midyat, setting forth at some length the hardships of his case & asking increase of salary.

Voted,- To cut off 500p- from his debt as a grant in aid, this sum to be charged back to the Board on account of aid to helpers in famine time. Also to hold him strictly to his work, & find if possible two more pupils for his school.

Voted,- To reply to a communication from Yusuf Isay asking payment for the time he was in charge of the Reading Room after May 1st, or directions as to whom he shall apply to for it, that as our relations with the Y. M. C. A. ceased May 1st we are unable to pay him or enlighten him.

Voted,- A new window for Mr. Dewey's bed-room.

Voted,- That Mr. Dewey go to Diarbekir to meet the new missionaries when they come.

Willis C. Dewey,
Secretary.

Mr. Andrus's— Mon. Eve, Nov. 21, 1881.

Rev. J. A. Ainslie (Beloit College 1877, Princeton Seminary 1881) & Rev. C. F. Gates (Beloit College 1877, Chicago Seminary 1881), just arrived from America, take their places as members of Mardin Station— After prayer by Mr. Dewey, minutes of meetings from Aug. 30th up to date were read & approved.

Dr. Thom made a statement that the new door authorized by the Station (Oct 13th) for his house has cost 110 p.—, but as an ordinary door would have cost but about 50 p., he has paid the excess over that sum from his own pocket.

Letters from Sert were read in regard to salaries of preacher & teachers— Agreed to send on wages in full up to Jan. 1st, —for the preacher, 3 mos. 300 p.— with 155½ toward expenses of his going thither; for Luis 2½ mos. 175 p.; for Miriam 4½ mos. 181 p. The Sert brethren make statement of expenses incurred in connection with schools & ask aid— Voted,— To inform them that we are unable to help them in this matter—

After reading of letters from Mosul & discussion,

Voted,— That notice be given to Mansoor & the teachers of the girls' schools in Mosul that after the end of the current year they will be no longer employed; & that the Community be given notice of this action & the reason therefor, viz;— the apparent impossibility of carrying on the work on the present basis, & the necessity of clearing the ground for a new start—

Also,— That Mansoor be directed to box up the books at the end of the year & store them in some safe place subject to our order.

Special Meeting at Dr. Thom's— Tues. Eve, Nov. 22, 1881—

The first business being settlement with the men who went to the coast to bring in the new missionaries, the brethren testified to Yakob's faithfulness & efficiency— Agreed to pay Ruffie 150 p. a month, with present of the boots purchased on the way, 55 p. & 13 p. to square accounts,— & to give Yakob in addition to his regular salary a present of 150 p. besides the 60 given him on starting, his boots to be returned & sold for what they will bring—

Mr. Andrus reported difficulties encountered in securing division of the house in the city—

Voted,— To put two liras in the pastor's hands with instructions to provide material as fast as the other party does, & when said party is ready to build, to pay half the expenses of the work— Also, we will replace seventy naheed put by said party in the part of the house now assigned to us— The wall is to be one thickness of undressed naheed, & eight layers high—

Agreed,— To write to pastor Hanoosh urging reconciliation of Efraim

& Maran with suggestion that if this is effected they may be employed further from home. Also, to suggest in regard to the arrears of his salary that if the brethren cannot do their part we shall feel compelled to employ him part of the time elsewhere.
Agreed, - To reply to a letter from Abd el Mesiah in regard to removing his family to Dairiki, that we do not think it best to do so at present.
Voted, - To reply to an inquiry from Mardiros in regard to 80 p. arrearages from the Kabe community that we have endeavored to induce the brethren to fulfil their obligations.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Thurs. P. M., Nov. 24, 1881.

Regular Station Meeting at Mr. Andrus's.
Minutes read & approved.
Voted, - To pay Melki Marina's daughter, Bible-reader in Midyat, 50 p. a month.
Voted, - To employ the mule, speckled horse, & donkey in carrying out manure to the garden, - 60 loads, paying 50 p. to Jibbr to go with them. This to be paid now from Touring & refunded when the garden is in funds. Large bags to be made for the purpose & kept.
The Treasurer gave notice that individual accounts must be handed in this week. Also that report of expenditure of appropriation for the Mardin Training & Theological School & Fem. Seminary will be expected at the next regular meeting.
Voted, - To reply to a communication from Karabash in regard to a Communion set that we should not think it best to give one, even were we able to do so, but after they have paid up their debts, we will see if we can help them in the matter.

Sat. P. M., Nov. 26, 1881.

Special Meeting at Dr. Thom's.
Voted, - To sell the piece of ground outside the city above the Diarbekir road for what we can get for it.
Voted, - That in compliance with a request from Shemas Suleba, Mr. Andrus prepare draft of a letter of recommendation to submit to next meeting.
Letters from Midyat were read treating of various matters

Decided not to press the matter of purchase of ground west of our Midyat premises at present.

Jurjis reports that Mukdey Daood is too advanced to profit in Hanna Mileha's school, & that Ishaiah is of no account in Salah.

Agreed to ask for more specific information in regard to Bin Kelb, & proficiency of our pupils in Midyat with reference to giving them work. Also, to be in no hurry about the sale of the house in the market, as Jurjis thinks it ought to bring more than is yet offered, 4000p.

Voted, - To pay Dr. Thom 400p. for his speckled horse & send it to Midyat as soon as the manure contract is finished for Jurjis to use in touring.

Jurjis also reports that Jiji, former wakeel, has not paid up his notes. Also that Kerboran has collected 250p. tithes, but this will be used up in paying for house, & other debts.

Voted, - To rent the Sulieba house if it cannot be sold.

Voted, - To instruct Jurjis to engage some one to look after the roofs of the two houses in Midyat till Apr. 1, for wages not to exceed 1p. a day, if possible, & that Melki Marini be charged with looking after the man.

Mon. Ev., Nov. 28, 1881.

Special Meeting at Dr. Thom's.

Draft of letter recommending Shemas Sulieba was read & approved.

Unanimously Agreed, - To celebrate the Lord's Supper next Sunday, & Messrs Andrus & Ainslie were chosen to officiate. It was proposed to invite the Committee of the church to be present & participate, but final action postponed.

A letter from Melki Marini on salary was read & laid on the table.

Voted, - To dismiss Ishaiah of Salah from the work at once.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Thurs. P.M., Dec. 1, 1881.

Regular Meeting at Dr. Thom's.

Minutes read & approved. The question being raised as to the expenses of Melki Marini's trip from Midyat on account of the illness of his wife,

Voted, - that as he purposes to remove his family at this time, the station pay the expenses of his return. The station will not pay for transportation of goods & supplies beyond the usual allowance for transportation of helpers & their families.

Thomas Suleeba having preferred a claim to be allowed to settle his account with Book Dept. as though it were paid in Medjidies at the Diarbekir rate of 20 p. (1 p. more than Mardin rate), & thus pay 6 p. instead of fifteen claimed,
Voted, - To write him to pay Aboshe three quarters of a medjidie to square accounts.
Voted, - To employ Nasr Allah for another six months in Bagdad, & instruct him to keep daily account of the number of visitors to the dekkan & report every month.
Mrs. Dewey sent in report on the garden, showing receipts of 1833 1/4 p. - as follows; from the Treasury on appropriation for the year, 987 3/4 p. - do. advance, 3 £ - 321, sales of Karatt 99 1/2 p., vegetables, &c. 425. - Expenses, 2093 25 p. Deficiency, 260 15 p., which she has paid from her own purse. There is also stuff yet to sell worth from 150 to 200 p.
Voted, - That the report be accepted & the thanks of the station extended to Mrs. D. for her efficient management. Also, that the deficiency remaining after the sales are all made be paid her & charged to Mardin Station. Also, voted to plant a small dikky with potatoes this autumn as an experiment.
At a continuation of the session in the evening Mr. Andrus presented report of the fund for the Theol. Sem. & the two Training Schools, showing receipts 1445 1/2 p. & expenditure 1175 1/8 p. The report was accepted & approved.

Willis C. Dewey, Sec'y.

Thurs. P.M., Dec. 8, 1881.
Regular Meeting at Mr. Dewey's.
Minutes read & approved. A letter from Bagdad was read, representing favorable condition of the work there.
Voted, - To aid the Bagdad community by paying one half the rent of a house for chapel for the next year, not to exceed 500 p. from us.
Voted, - To receive applicants for admission to the special English classes for the remainder of the school year, on payment of 10 p. each in advance.
Voted, - That the members of the station, including the Teachers in the Fem. Sem., prepare in alphabetical order letters to the Rooms at Boston, - a letter to be sent each

77. month, the draft thereof to be read in the first regular station meeting of the month in which it is sent.

Voted, - To sell the Market House in Midyat for 4000 p. on condition that 3500 be now paid in hand & teacher Jurjis be allowed to remain in the house until the first of May 1882, N. S., when full possession will be given on the payment of the remaining 500 p., expenses of the transfer to be upon the purchaser.

Voted, - that Abd el Messiah Speer be paid the balance due him on the contract for the Midyat School House.

Miss Sears sent in report of receipts & expenditures for the Girls' Training School, showing total receipts 6749 ^{35} p., & total expenditures 6116 ^{5} p. The report was accepted & adopted.

The station then proceeded to divide up the work of the station for the ensuing year, as follows, -

Chairman, -	A. N. Andrus, -
Secretary, -	C. F. Gates, -
Treasurer, -	W. C. Dewey, -
Auditor, -	C. F. Gates, -
Medical Dept.	D. M. B. Thom, -
Post Master, -	J. A. Ainslie, -
Principal of the Theol. Sem. & Boys' Training School, -	A. N. Andrus, -
Book Dept, -	W. C. Dewey. -
Stables & Touring Room,	J. A. Ainslie, -
Premises,	A. N. Andrus, -
Garden,	Mrs. Dewey. -
Gov't Work, Arabic Sec'y }	A. N. Andrus, -

Dr. Thom, wishing more time for professional work & study, was at his own request relieved for the present from further care & responsibility than that involved in the Medical Department.

Willis C. Dewey,
Secretary.

Friday Evening, Dec. 9th. 1881.

Special Meeting at Dr. Thom's.

Minutes read and approved.

After further consideration of the matter, it was voted to pay Melchi Marina's expenses from Midyat to Mardin, as well as those incurred while returning to Midyat.

It was reported that Jirgis Kattan, of Mosul, has given 100 piastres to the church in Midyat.

Ishaiah and Bahad, helpers in Salah and Bati, preferred a request for permission to go to Kullith, on business, to be absent about 10 days.

Ishaiah has been dismissed from the work, by vote of the station, taken Nov. 28th. In regard to Bahad it was voted to reply that we do not see the necessity for his going, and that if he goes, his salary will be stopped during his absence.

A request for aid from Kalaatt was read and laid on the table until the appropriations for the coming year should be received.

A letter from Mukdsy Melki states that the community at Goli have only paid 170 of the 300 piastres assigned to them as their portion, and asks for help in making up the deficiency.

Voted to write to Mukdsy Melki that we cannot help him, and that he must look to the people to pay the 130 piastres due to him.

Ishak, one of the Theological Students asks for more aid, in order that he may be able to bring his mother and his child to Mardin.

Voted to advise him not to bring his relations to Mardin.

Voted not to grant any additional aid, in money, to students in the Training and Theological Schools, at present.

Voted, that owing to the continued high price of provisions, the usual admission fee for students coming to the Training School, be remitted during the present year.

Approved.

C.F. Gates, Secy.

Thursday Afternoon, Dec. 15th. 1881.

Regular Meeting in Mr. Andrus' study.

Minutes of the previous meeting read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Ainslie asked for instructions in regard to sending letters to the Post Office, at the Expense of the Station, which are received too late to be sent at the regular time.

Voted - that the compensation for carrying letters to the Post be fixed at 30 paras per trip, the same to be divided between the Postage Department and the missionaries, per capita.

Johanna Mukdsy Daood, teacher in Kullith, preferred a request to be allowed to come to Mardin about Christmas time.

Voted - that he be allowed to take a vacation after New Year's day, at his own charges.

Voted, that in consideration of the ~~serious~~ illness of her father, the teacher Helet, of Midyat, be allowed to come to Mardin, at her own expense; the time of her visit not to exceed ten days. If the visit exceeds ten days, whatever is beyond that shall be deducted from her salary.

Voted, that a pair of steelyards belonging to the Famine Fund, and a pair belonging to Mardin Station be sold for what they will bring.

Items reported by the Treasurer, to the amount of 199 3/4 piastres, were approved by the station, ~~& to be~~ charged to their respective accounts.

Voted, that no payments be made from the Treasury for items not distinctly specified in the appropriations, without a vote from the Station.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

approved

Thursday Afternoon, Dec. 22d. 1881.

Regular Meeting in Dr. Thom's Study.

Voted - that the Treasurer be instructed to write to Constantinople stating that we have money on hand, belonging to the Famine Relief Fund, and asking for instructions as to its disposal.

Voted - that the balance of money turned back from Prof. Sachau's Indemnity Fund be turned over to Mr. Andrus to put to the credit of Prof. Sachau for the purchase of Syriac manuscripts.

Voted - that an English service be held regularly each Sabbath, and that Mr. Andrus and Mr. Ainslie be appointed a committee to arrange for these services.

Voted - that the manager of the Book Department be instructed to send books to Bagdad for sale.

Items reported by the Treasurer to the amount of 179¼ piastres, were approved.

The request of Ishiah for kir. from Salah to Midyat, amounting to ten piastres, was refused in consideration of the circumstances of his dismissal from our service.

Voted - that the time of the regular Station Meeting be changed from Thursday to Monday at 1.30. P.M.

Voted - that the vacation of the Theological Seminary and Training School take place during the first week of January, and that the students receive their regular allowance during vacation.

A petition was presented from the Theological Students, asking for additional aid.

Voted - that Mr. Andrus and Mr. Dewey be appointed a committee to inquire into the financial condition of the Theological Students, and report to the Station.

Voted - that Mr. Ainslie and Mr. Gates be appointed a committee to prepare a draft of a Constitution and By Laws for an Association of the churches of the Mardin field, and report to the Station.

Approved

C. F. Gates, Sec.

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December 26th. 1881.

Regular meeting at Mr. Dewey's

Voted - that the duration of our regular station Meetings be limited to two hours.

Voted - that the stable-yard be cleaned out at the Expense of Touring.

approved

Adjourned C. F. Gates Secy.

Dec. 29th. 1881.

A special meeting of the station was called to meet a committee of the Y. M. C. A. for the consideration of propositions looking toward a reconciliation with the church and community. After a long session, the following propositions were submitted by them:

1. That we should remove the charge now placed upon their children who attend our schools.

2. That we should pay the salary of the curator of the Reading Room, for the three months following the separation of the church and community from us.

The reply given to the committee embodied the following propositions —

I. We are not conscious of having wronged the Church or Community in any respect.

II. We consider that we have received grievous wrongs from them. Leaving other matters — we specify —

83 a. Their letters addressed to the communities
b. " " " Kharpoot, Beirut, constantinople and america. (see Records)

III We shall be glad to meet the medjlisses for explanations with a view to reconciliation

IV. In regard to the propositions advanced from the medjlisses of the church and community by the medjliss of the Y.M.C.A., we feel that the proper time for consideration and answer to such propositions would come after a substantial basis of reconciliation had been reached. They should not be offered as preliminary to such an understanding.

This reply was sent directly to the medjlisses of the church and community.

No. 33. on Record

C. F. Gates Secy.

approved

Saturday Morning
Dec 31st 1881.

A special meeting called to consider a communication from the Ch. & Com. in Mardin. This communication contained an assessment upon the missionaries of 4000 piastres pew rent for the coming year. A reply was addressed to the Ch. & Com. stating our intention to absent ourselves from the Church services in consequence of their action, and giving the reasons for this step. (This reply together with the communication is on file.)

Communication, No 34, Reply 36.

It was decided that during the Week of Prayer meetings should be held daily from 11-12 A.M.

Voted, that Miss Sear's ~~name~~ be added to the Permanent Committee of Arrangements for Religious Services, and that this committee be requested to arrange for the services during the Week of Prayer.

Charges for medicine to students, amounting to 6 piastres, and to helpers, of 48 piastres were presented and approved.

approved

C. F. Gates Sec'y.

Monday, Jan. 2d, 1882.

Regular Meeting at Mr. Dewey's.

Items amounting to 122 1/4 piastres and 15 peras were presented and approved.

A proposition to fill up the stock of slates and blank-books for the Book Dep't. was approved.

Voted that the appropriation of 65 liras for the site for a building in Sert, be credited to Mr. Andrews as part payment for the money advanced by him.

Voted that the treasurer pay the amount of the appropriation for the Y. M. C. A. in monthly installments.

C. F. Gates Sec'y.

approved.

Monday, Jan. 9th. 1882.

Special Meeting in Mr. Andrus' Study.

This meeting was called for the purpose of listening to a communication from the church in Mardin, presented by a committee of eight. They ask forgiveness for all that has been done to wrong us, and desire that we should coöperate with them once more as formerly. In reply a paper drawn up by Mr. Andrus was adopted by a majority vote of the station, as follows —

"To the Pastor of the church, with the members of its committee and all its Membership. —

We the missionaries assembled with the delegates of the Evangelical Church in Mardin, on the 9th. of Jan. 1882, declare that we see in this meeting a work of the Spirit of Christ and an answer to our prayers, and accept this declaration of the brethren in the spirit in which they have presented it to us, and promise a pardon and forgetting of all that is past, while asking pardon and overlooking of all our shortcomings, in which we may have been found toward all; and when the church shall have chosen a committee for church purposes for the present year, we are ready to meet with it, in order to present some thoughts for the profit of the church, and its preparation for Christian work in this city, and we promise to do all in our power for the success and advancement of this Church in itself and in every good work. "

Jan. 9th. 1882.

This delegation also gave a paper to us, in which they asked forgiveness and made promises for the future. This paper is on file — No.

C. F. Gates.

approved

January. 9th. 1882.

Regular Meeting in Mr. Andrus' Study.

A communication from a village near Jezireh, asking for protection was turned over to Mr. Andrus to read and answer.

The station advised Mr. Dewey to hold Jurgis Ibn Koss Abd el Messia, of Midyat, responsible for books, which he reports as missing.

Naoom Saatie presents a bill of 513 piastres, for the removal of Hanna Dyakh's family from Mosul to Bagdad and 150 piastres for the rent of a dikhan for the book-store, in Mosul. The bill was approved and the treasurer instructed to pay it.

Items reported by the treasurer to the amount of 107½ piastres were approved.

The salary of Abdul Messiah of Dairiki is 150 piastres, of which only 135 piastres are provided for by the appropriation; it was therefore voted to pay the remaining 15 piastres out of the appropriation for the Mardin Middle School.

1800 piastres from the appropriation for Minar were transferred to the payment of the salary of M. Eshoo, Bible-reader in Mardin.

The salary of Elea, teacher in Sert, was fixed at 80 piastres for the present year.

The salary of Yusef, teacher in Kerboran, was raised to 170 piastres, the balance to be paid from the appropriation for Minar. The 20 piastres thus added to his salary are to be applied to the payment of his debts in Sert.

The following rule was adopted for the guidance of the Station in paying helpers;— That wherever we have a church, all money

87 due to helpers there, shall be paid to the Treasurer of the church, ~~and~~ not directly to the helpers.

The Station then took up the consideration of the debts of native helpers. It was thought that the time had come to make an effort for the payment of these debts, and a vote was accordingly passed requiring them to pay their debts as follows:—

Mudkhsy Melchi,	debt, 580 piastres;	paym't	20 piastres per month from Jan. 1st
Melchy Ibrahim,	" 400 (instead of 473)	" "	15 "	" "
Abosh of Kutterbul,	" 361½	" "	50 "	" "

This 50 piastres is to be allowed to him for teaching.

Pastor Elyas, (Kullitti)	debt, 350 piastres:	payment,	20 piastres, monthly
Melchy Marina (Midyat)	" 575	" "	25 " "
Jurgis	" " 870¾	" "	400 piastres this year.
Mudkhsy Jibbry, (Arnas)	" 400	" "	20 " monthly.

Voted, to keep back Yusef's weekly allowance for the work of vacation, because of his failure to attend the meetings for prayer.

Voted, to have a new door put on the lower kitchen in the school-yard at the expense of Premises.

In reply to a request from the community in Kalaat, that we should give them aid to the amount of 100 piastres, leaving them to make arrangements with Hanna for teaching, as they may see fit; it was voted that the balance of the appropriation for Minar, 90 piastres per month, for 4 months, be transferred to Kalaat to be paid towards the salary of Hanna.

The community in Karabash have hired a teacher at a salary of 45 piastres per month, and they ask us to recognize him.

Voted, that the teacher be accepted, that the 250 piastres, which have been paid to the community over and above what was due to them, shall be applied to the payment of his salary, and that we will become responsible for the rest of his salary until the close of the school term of six months.

approved

C. F. Gates.

Jan. 12th. 1882

Special Meeting in Mr. Dewey's study.

Called to consider a telegram from Constantinople, which stated that they had a use for whatever amount of the Famine Relief Fund is still remaining to Mardin Station.

Voted to return Lt 260 to I. F. Pettibone from the Famine Relief Fund.

approved

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Jan. 16th. 1882.

Regular Meeting in Dr. Thom's study.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read corrected and approved.

Voted, that the superintendent of the Garden be instructed to secure, if possible, a gardener for the current year, who will tend a part of the Garden for us, at a fixed compensation, and the remainder on shares.

Mr. Andrus and Mr. Dewey reported to the Station what they had ascertained, in regard to the debts, expenditures and receipts of the Theological students. Their report was accepted. Action on this report was postponed in order to give time for a more full and careful consideration of the question whether it is best for us to grant them any additional aid. A motion - not to grant any aid was laid on the table for one week.

Voted - that the Supt. of Gov't Work keep an account of all expenses incident to the Mon-*soureyah case, the same to be ultimately charged to the Oroomiah Mission.

C. F. Gates Sec'y.

*This Monsoureyat is a village near Jezerat, under the Persian village.

approved

January 23d. 1882.

The regular meeting of the Station was held at Mr. Dewey's, opened, in the usual way, by prayer, and reading of the minutes.

The question as to giving aid to the Theological Students was taken up from the previous meeting. The following motion was adopted by three votes, after a protracted discussion.

Voted – That, in view of the condition of the Theological Students, only 6 piastres per week be deducted from the allowance of the married pupils, for their indebtedness, and 3 ps. from that of the unmarried pupils, until the end of March, when work shall be assigned them for the rest of the year at Middle school rates, the remuneration for it to go toward liquidating their indebtedness to the Station.

The time of the session was by vote extended one hour, for the sake of considering our relations to the church and community in Mardin; but no action was taken in the matter, beyond the expression of a desire to meet with the medjliss of the community for the consideration of plans for our mutual coöperation in the work.

Approved

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Jan. 30th. 1882.

The regular meeting of the Station was held in Mr. Andrus' study. After listening to the reading of a letter from Mallim Jurgis of Midyat, it was voted to sustain him in the measures he had already taken with reference to Daood, a pupil in the Middle School; also voted to present Daood with the alternative of resuming his studies in obedience to the teachers or leaving the school. His allowance to be reckoned from the time when he resumes his studies.

Approved

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Feb. 6th. 1882.

After the reading of the minutes, the station spent some time in discussing the present state of affairs, as respects the church and community in Mardin, but without taking any action.

To a communication from Khowaja Jacob, asking if we considered that he had deceived us in the action taken by him, as a delegate of the church, the following reply was made; as we understand the case, you have not deceived us, in as much as you do not cease to reckon that you have acted as a delegate of the church in all that you have done.

Mr. Andrus read a letter to Dr. Clark, which was approved by vote of the station.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Approved

Feb. 13th. 1882.

The members of the station came together at the usual hour in Mr. Drury's study.

Voted — That a copy of the Latin Bible be put into the hands of M. Antone, for use in the Reading Room, to be kept until called for.

Voted — That a set of wall-maps be purchased for the Womens' Training School in Midyat, and sent to the school.

Voted — To estimate the blankets belonging to the Famine Relief Fund, at 20 piasters per pair.

Voted — That it is the sense of the Station, that in the existing state of affairs in the Mardin church and community it is better to absent ourselves from the church services.

Voted — That Mr. Andrus be requested to prepare the yearly report of the Station.

approved

C. F. Gates Sec'y.

Feb. 16th. 1882.

A Special Meeting was held at Mr. Dewey's house to consider the advisability of visiting Mosul. A motion was presented to the effect that Mosul should be visited this Spring; but after a careful discussion the following motion was substituted for it:—

Voted. That, with a view to part of our number spending next Winter in Mosul, and a part in Midyat, and in consideration of the financial condition of the Theological Students, the present term be extended until about the Middle of August, and that then the Theological Seminary be suspended for one year from that time.

It was agreed to appoint three delegates to Annual Meeting, namely, Mr. Ainslie, Mr. Dewey and Mr. Gates.

approved

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Tuesday Evening Feb. 21st 1882.

Regular Meeting at Mr. Andrus', having been postponed from yesterday, on account of the absence of a majority of the station. After prayer by Bro. Ainslie, the minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved, and a rough draft of the minutes of a later special meeting was read by Mr. Dewey, Secretary pro tem.

A request preferred from Kutterbul for aid in the purchase of grounds for a school was deferred until more specific information shall be obtained.

Letters of interest from Midyat and Dairiki were read.

Voted – To telegraph to Jurgis of Midyat to come on to Mardin with Mr. Gates for conference.

During the past week Kullith has been visited by Dr. Thom, Miss. Sears, Mr. Ainslie and Mr. Gates; and Miss. Sears is now engaged in work among the women at Midyat. The minutes of this meeting were taken by Mr. Dewey, and recorded by

C. F. Gates, Secretary.

approved

Monday. Feb. 27th. 1882.

Regular Meeting at Dr. Thom's.

After prayer offered by Mr. Andrus, the minutes of the two previous meetings were read.

Voted – That the balance of the blankets be sent to Diarbekir, to Shemas Toma, to be disposed of for what they will bring; and that he be instructed, that, if any remain unsold, he is to do them up carefully, and keep them until another year.

Voted – That a Turkish Grammar be purchased for the Library.

Letters were read from Ishaiah, complaining of his dismissal & from Bagdad.

C. F. Gates Secy.

~~Four~~ Special Meetings have also been held during the week. The first one was called on Tuesday ev'g. Feb. 28th, in Dr. Thom's study, for the purpose of conferring with some of the bretheren from the church in Mardin. They requested us to help them to secure a place of worship, as they are no longer able to worship with the church in this city.

They were advised to present a paper to

the church, asking for a hearing from the church, without the interruption of the medjlisses, and we agreed to assist them in the preparation of such a paper.

accordingly, at a subsequent meeting, held on Thursday evening, at Mr. Drury's, this paper was submitted to them, discussed and adopted in its revised form.

The paper asked for a revision of the actions of the medjlisses concerning these members of the church, by the church itself, or failing in this, that a council should be called, consisting of delegates from three of the nearest churches, to advise in regard to these matters. The reasons for making these requests were set forth at some length.

The other two meetings were held on Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning, March 2d & 4th for the purpose of conferring with Mallim Jurgis with regard to the state of affairs in Midyat.

March 6th, 1882

C. F. Gates, Secy.

approved

March 6th, 1882

The regular meeting of the Station, held at Mr. Drury's, was opened as usual with prayer, offered by Bro. Drury. After the reading of the minutes, items to the amount of 98 ps were submitted and approved.

Letters from Sert were read and considered.

Voted - That Mr. Drury and Mr. Ainslie be requested to visit Sert and Midyat.

Voted - That Mr. Andrus and Mr. Gates be requested to visit Dairiki, the last of this week.

Voted - That the houses and walls be pointed

this Spring

[Note— The visits to Sert and Dairiki, contemplated in the votes taken, have been made, and Mr. Drury, Mr and Mrs. Ainslie and Miss. Sears are probably in Sert at present writing March. 16]

C. F. Gates Secy.

Thursday Afternoon March 16. 1882

On account of the absence of four members of the station the regular meeting was postponed from Monday. After the usual opening prayer, the minutes were read and approved.

Mr. Andrus then gave a report of the visit to Dairiki.

A letter from Mosul was read, which asked for a teacher. It was agreed to reply that we shall not be able to find a teacher for them until the close of the school.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Approved

March 20th. 1882

The meeting having been opened with prayer, the Station proceeded to consider the case of Yacob's boy, who is a member of the Middle School. He has been out of school for six weeks, on account of sore eyes, and does not seem able to keep up with his class. It was agreed to allow his father to determine whether the boy should try to keep up with his class, drop back into the class below, or pursue an elective course.

A petition was then presented, desiring that we should help those, who have withdrawn from the church in Mardin, or have been cut off by the church, to secure a place of worship and arrange for services. The case was taken under consideration.

Items to the amount of 99 piastres and 10 paras approved.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

April 3d 1882

Meeting at Dr. Thom's, Prayer by Bro. Andrus.
A Letter from Kaabe was read and laid over until the next meeting.

Voted - To give 120 p. to Melki Ibrahim towards building the church in Benabeel, asking him to keep strict account

Voted - That Lola's boy be allowed to pay part of his tuition in work for the remainder of the school year; the balance to be paid by his father.

J. Ainslie. Sec. pro. tem

April 10th. 1882

The Weekly Meeting of the Station was held in Mr. Dewey's study, opened with prayer by Bro. Ainslie. The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved.

The letter from Kaabe, which had been laid on the table at the last meeting was then taken under consideration. They report that the deficiency on the salary of the helper for the ~~previous~~ last year, amounting to 80 ps. has been paid, and that they pledge themselves to pay 10 ps. per month for the support of a preacher from the time of his coming to them

Voted - To reply that we have no one to send, at present, but will supply them, as soon as possible.

A communication from pastor Jurjis, was then read, relating to our actions in regard to the disciplined members of the Mardin church.

Voted - To reply, acknowledging the receipt of the communication, and inviting the pastor to meet us at Dr. Thom's, on Tuesday evening, one hour after sunset, if he has any wish for enlightenment

Voted - To give Illet a vacation of five weeks, during which her salary shall be continued: if the vacation is extended beyond that time her salary shall be discontinued until the opening of the school.

Voted - That Mukksy Daoud, of Midyat, be notified to leave the school, and return to his own house; if at any future time we think best to employ him, we will let him know.

A letter from Mr. Ward to the treasurer, containing

instructions in regard to finances, was read.

Voted — That the stock of Armenian and Armeno-Turkish books, with the exception of such as it may be deemed advisable to retain for our own work, be transferred to Harpoot Station.

Voted — That, in view of explanations received since the action was taken, the act of withholding the the salary of Bahad Naamie, of Bats, during his visit to Kulleth, be rescinded.

Voted — That Mr. Andrus and Dr. Thom be appointed a committee to consider matters, relating to touring, and report to the station

April 11th. 1882

In accordance with the invitation of the Station, pastor Jurgis met with the station at Dr. Thom's, and the evening was spent in discussion of affairs relating to the church and community.

April 12th. 1882

A special meeting was held at Dr. Thom's, with members of the new congregation, in Mardin. We advised them to elect an executive committee of three members, to hold office for three or four months, who should have charge of the supply of the pulpit, of arrangements for schools, Sunday-School, etc.

After the withdrawal of the native brethren,— Voted — To reply to a telegram from Sert asking permission to to send representatives to the conference of churches, which is to be held at Aintab; that we are willing, but cannot give them any pecuniary aid for this purpose; also that the arrangement for their school, proposed during Mr. Dwight's visit to them, is accepted.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

April, 17th. 1882.

The meeting having been opened with prayer, the minutes of the previous meeting were read. Items amounting to 877 3/8 ps. were approved. Letters from Midyat relating to the case of Osmanli Temer were read. The condition of Habsenas was considered, but no action was taken.

Voted - To refer the case of Ephraem of Habsenas to Mallim Jurgis and Melki Mirina for examination, requesting each of them to make a report to the station.

Agreed - To instruct Yusif, of Kerboran, to visit Arbri occasionally.

Mr. Drewry reported in regard to Boti that the tithes for last year were 186½ ps. of which 80 ps. have been expended for a door and repairs. They ask permission to spend 60 ps. of the remainder, with 40 which they will contribute, to purchase mats for the school.

Voted - To advise them that we think it better for them to buy what mats can be obtained for 40 ps, and reserve the 60 ps. for their building fund.

Voted - That upon the sale of the house in Midyat, now occupied by some of the Middle school students, Jurgis be instructed to find a room for them.

Voted - To hold a meeting with the executive committee of the Second Protestant congregation of Mardin, this evening at Dr. Thom's.

Voted - To write to Melki Mirina, of Midyat, exhorting him to be patient, and to write to the community, exhorting them to discharge their obligations to him.

The request of Elegah of Sert for increase of salary was considered, but no action was

taken upon it.

A letter to Boston was read by the Secretary and accepted.

C. F. Gates Secy.

April 24th. 1882

The meeting having been opened with prayer the minutes were read and approved.

Voted - To advise Yeshuah to wait awhile before going to Kullith for communion

Voted - To raise the salary of Elegah of Sert to 90 ps.

The question of a Bible-reader for Sert was laid over for the present.

Voted - That Mr. Drury send a note of acknowledgement to Mr. Easson of Lattikea Mission for a book sent to the Station by him. The book to be placed in the library of the Theol. Seminary.

Voted - That Mr. Andrus and Mr. Drury be requested to examine the papers which have accumulated respecting Station business, and destroy such as are worthless.

Voted - To give a blanket to one of Dr. Thom's patients.

Requests from M. Jibbis of Arnas and Abosh of Kutterbul, that no deduction shall be made from their salaries on account of their debts were not granted.

Voted - That the time of the vacation of the Schools be appointed for the first week of May, during which time the students shall not receive the weekly allowance, but shall be allowed double the usual amount of work.

Voted - That Johanna of Kullith be instructed to close the school at once, and report to us without delay.

Letters were read from Ishaiah and from Bagdad.

Agreed - Not to pay anything on the rent of the house in Bagdad beyond what we have already paid.

Voted - To adjourn until 7 P.M. at Mr. Drury's.

The Station met at the appointed time and devoted the evening to the consideration of the question of the distribution of forces, with the following result.

Dr. Thom and W. C. Drury were assigned to Mardin A. N. Andrus and C. F. Gates to Mosul, and J. A. Ainslie to Midyat.

Dr. Thom presented a report on touring, which was referred back to Mr. Andrus the other member of the committee, that he might add to it and report to the Station at the next meeting.

C. F. Gates Sec'y.

Friday Ev'g, April 28th,

A meeting of the Station was held at Mr. Andrus' to consider a paper, asking us to join with the church and community of Mardin in calling a commission of churches and missionaries to act as judges of the affairs between us.

After discussion Mr. Andrus was requested to draw up a paper embodying the sentiments which had been expressed. This paper was adopted and sent. In it we affirmed it to be the right of the church to call a council, and not the right of the missionaries. We also expressed our conviction that a genuine readiness for a reconciliation would render so expensive and cumbersome an expedient unnecessary. This paper has been placed on file.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Monday afternoon, May 8th.

The regular meeting of the Station was held at Dr. Thom's with Mr. Drury in the chair. After the openening exercises and reading of the minutes, Mr. Drury reported that he had dealt with Yohanna of Kullith, according to vote of the Station.
Voted - To pay 50 ps. from the F.R.H. for the relief of a destitute patient of Dr. Thom's.
A letter from Jurgis of Midyat was read, and it was
Voted - To instruct Jurgis to purchase the stones remaining at the new house in Midyat.
The Station then adjourned until evening, when a meeting was held at Mr. Drury's with Mr. Andrus in the chair.
Mr. Andrus gave a report of Gov't. work in Midyat, The case of Ephraim and Mariam, the daughter of Pastor Hanoosh, was there discussed. Letters were presented from Karabash and Kutterbul, and it was finally voted to lay the matter upon the table, with the appointment of Mr. Andrus to confer with the pastor, and make some recommendation in regard to the case.
Mr. Ainslie then presented a protest against his assignment to Midyat, asking to be relieved by the appointment of some one else in his place.
Voted - To lay upon the table for the present, until we shall see what developments the future may bring. Station adjourned until the following evening.

C. H. Gates, Sec'y.

Tuesday evening May 9th.

A meeting was held with 12 native brethren for the purpose of considering propositions looking towards a reconciliation with the church. Three propositions were presented to us:
1 The appointment of three judges, Hanoosh, Elyas and Jurgis, of Mardin, whose decision should be accepted as a final ~~for~~ a settlement of difficulties
2 That a representative of the missionaries and

9 101 one from the church should should make confession of wrong doing from the pulpit.
3. That the church and community should pay 2/3, the missionaries 1/3 of all church and community expenses
After discussion Mr. Andrus was requested to embody the sentiments which had been expressed in a paper. This paper was adopted and sent.
In it we declared that in accordance with our relations to the American Board, we are not able to become parties to any adjudication of these difficulties through a commission; also that a reconciliation must be in the spirit of Christ, involving hearty coöperation in Christian work. We also added that the Second Congregation of Mardin are not parties to this reconciliation.
A copy of this paper is on file.
The case of Ephraim received further consideration after the withdrawal of the brethren, and it was agreed that Dr. Thom should confer with pastor Hanoash.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Thursday afternoon, May 11th.
A special meeting of the Station was held in Mr. Dewey's study. Letters were read from Bagdad (Hanna Dyakh) giving encouraging news of the increased sale of books and of interest shown by visits to the dikkan, also letters from the Dairiki pastor, and abash of Kutterbul
Voted - That one Lire be paid for the boys school in Karabash, and 30 ps. for the girl's school, from the appropriations for Karabash schools
Voted - To answer Yusef Speer's request to be employed in the work in the negative.
Voted - To inform the Kalaat congregation that we do not think it best to continue the present arrangement with them
Letters from Melki Meriam and Jurgis were read
The report on Touring was made and laid on the table until the Manual should come from the Rooms.

Voted - That the expenses of the trip to annual Meeting be paid out of Touring funds until the final adjustment of expenses.
Voted - To amend the vote taken Dec. 8th. 1881, in regard to the monthly letter to Boston, so as to allow the teachers in the Female Seminary to write one letter between them, said letter to be presented to the Station in such manner as they see fit. Station adjourned.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Thursday Evening May 11th.
A meeting of the Station was held in Mr. Drury's study to consider plans for schools with the Executive committee of the Second Congregation. They reported that the pledges amounted to about 1000 ps. After listening to an expression of their desires, the Station adjourned with a promise to consider the matter as soon as practicable.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Saturday Afternoon May 13th. 1882
A Special Meeting of the Station was held in Dr. Thom's study. Opened with prayer by Bro. Drury.
The minutes of the previous meetings from April 28th. to date were read, corrected and approved.
Dr. Thom made a report of his conference with Pastor Hanoosh and his daughter Maran.
Voted - That Mr. Andrus and Mr. Drury be appointed to draw up a paper, expressing the sentiment of the Station in regard to the case.
This paper was adopted and sent. It affirmed our opinion that the evidence offered is satisfactory proof to us of ill-treatment of Maran by Ephraem, but that there is no Scriptural ground for divorce. We therefore urge a separation, in which each shall live faithful to the marriage vows.
A copy of this paper has been placed on file.
Voted - That the two laborers who have been employed for work on the houses in Midyat be paid 14 ps. for the expenses of their return ~~to~~ Mardin.
The treasurer reported that the appropriation for chapel-building at Bennabeel is exhausted.

9 103 Voted - That Dr. Thom be appointed to take charge of the completion of the building at the Garden, and the building of a gardener's lodge.
Voted - That the horse belonging to the Station, which is now in Midyat be brought to Mardin to be used for the trip to annual Meeting.
Voted - That M. Eshoo be employed to do colporteur work in the neighboring villages at a compensation of 10 ps. per each trip - to be absent Saturdays and Sundays.
Voted - That the question of giving work to the students in the school at Midyat be turned over to Mr. Andrus to make such arrangements as seem best to him.
The report of Melki Merina and Jurgis of Midyat in regard to Ephraim of Habsenas was presented, to the effect that they judge him to be a rather bright young man, but without any very keen religious perceptions. He is 20 years old and not yet master of his own liberty, so that he would not be able to enter school before Fall.
Letters were read from Shemas Seleeba, and from Abd el Messiah.
Mr. Andrus reported that the wife of Shemas Hanna had been visiting in the quarters of the city where the Second Congregation is now holding services, and that her report is such as to make it seem desirable to continue her in such work.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Monday afternoon, May 15th.
The regular meeting of the Station was held at Mr. Andrus' house. After opening prayer and reading of the minutes a letter to Ephraim was read, which was to accompany the paper expressing the views of the Station in the case.
A letter from Isya was read protesting against the partiality shown in furnishing employment to some students and not to others. It was agreed that Mr. Andrus should talk with him about it.

The following recommendation was adopted by the Station:—

In consideration of the misunderstandings which are likely to arise in the minds of native brethren in regard to gifts made by members of the Station individually; it is hereby recommended, that, when, in the judgment of any members of the Station, it seems best to contribute from their own means for purposes of chapel or school building, expenses of church and school services, or other similar objects, such money be placed at the disposal of the Station for that purpose, the individual giver not being known to the recipient.

In explanation of this recommendation it was stated that it is not designed to be binding upon any, if it fails to win their approval, that money given in this way may be given through the Treasurer, without formal report to the Station, being designated as "funds collected for that purpose", and that the Station has no option as to the disposal of such money, being simply the medium through which it is to be conveyed to the objects designated by the givers.

Preparatory to taking up work upon estimates letters were read from Dr. Clark, also the report of the last annual Meeting.

Numerous meetings were held during the week for the purpose of making estimates for the work of next year.

At a meeting held on Wednesday, May 17th, it was Voted—That the appropriation for the Theol. Seminy be reimbursed by the amount which was expended from it for a wall, also—
Voted—That the remainder of the appropriation be used for capping and pointing the wall.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Monday Afternoon, May 22d.

The Regular meeting of the Station was held at Mr. Andrus' opened with prayer by Brother Andrus.

Reading of the Minutes

Dr. Thom reported that he had examined the accounts between Mardin Station and Jurgis Kattaan, and found that items had been charged twice, so that the Station is still owing him 33 Liras.

Voted - To pay this amount, and close the account.

The following regulations respecting Touring were adopted by vote of the Station:—

Regulations Respecting Touring.

1. No tour shall be undertaken without the approval of the Station unless it is clearly impossible to bring the matter before the Station. In all such cases the Station should be advised of the tour and the reasons for it, as soon as practicable.

2. Members of the Station remaining in one place for more than two weeks shall be at their own charges for the remainder of their stay.

3. Members of the Station, on regularly authorized tours shall be privileged to charge six piastres per day for their horses for the number of days of travel and to have their horses kept during the entire tour.

4. The value of private stores contributed to the outfit of a tour that is expected to occupy a week or more shall be considered a legitimate item of charge to Touring.

5. All extra expenses incurred while touring for keeping, fastening or protecting the horses shall be paid by touring: articles purchased for these purposes to become the property of the Station.

The work on Estimates was continued through the week. In the course of the meetings held for this purpose, the following actions were taken:—

The estimate for the salary of the curator of the Y. M. C. A. Reading Room, was made subject to the agreement that it shall not be paid unless the relations between the Mardin church and community and the missionaries remain such as they now are.

Voted - That the question of providing an office for Dr. Thom be referred to annual Meeting.

C. F. Gates Secy.

Friday afternoon May 26th

A meeting was held with Jurgis Kattan and his brother for the sake of discussing plans for a reconciliation with the Mardin church and community. The measures proposed by them seemed to the Station to necessitate an abandonment of the Second Congregation on the part of the missionaries, they were therefor not received. The meeting adjourned without coming to any action.

C. F. Gates Secy.

May 29. 1882

Voted - To insert in the Estimates an item of $1000 for a building for a physician's office and waiting rooms.

Voted - To have blinds made for the west windows of the rooms occupied by Mr. Ainslie and Mr. Gates

Voted - To adopt the following resolution, instructing the delegates to annual meeting, in regard to the request of the C. T. M. for two men from Mardin to occupy Aleppo.

Whereas we have learned that the Central Turkey Mission has voted to request the Eastern Turkey Mission to send two men from Mardin to occupy Aleppo, we urge that such a measure would be detrimental to the interests of missionary work in the Mardin field, for the following reasons: -

1. Aleppo being nine days distant from Mardin, and there being no Arabic speaking villages around it, there is no prospect of an extension

of our work in that direction, and the occupation of Aleppo by us would add to the present difficulties arising from the wide extent of our field

2 The interests of our own work in prospect of its extension in the Jebel Toor region and towards the South, including Mosul; and in view of the necessity of maintaining our Educational Work for the preparation of native helpers, would be injured if two men, or even one were to be taken from our present force without replacing them. And even if they were to be replaced there would still be a serious loss of time to our work:

3. A plan which seems to us better and not open to these objections is this; That the Prudential Committee be asked to furnish one man for Aleppo, and that the C. T. M. should send thither one man acquainted with the Turkish language. The latter would be able to begin work at once, and both would be able to prosecute the study of Arabic in the place where they would need to use it — a consideration which is rendered important by the difference between the dialects of Aleppo and Mardin.

These considerations make it plain to that Aleppo can be occupied better and without injury to any other portion of the work in an other way than that which has been proposed; and we would earnestly protest against the crippling of our own work by taking away the forces which were asked by the Mission for the extension and more vigorous prosecution of the work in the Mardin field.

Signed by. A. N. Andrus.
D. M. B. Thom
Willis C. Dewey
C. F. Gates.

Voted- To keep the frame made for the transportation of Mr. Ainslie's organ, and that Touring pay 27½ piastres for the frame.

Voted- That the Station approve of Miss. Pratt's appointment as delegate to annual Meeting.

The following resolution was adopted to be presented to annual Meeting;

Inasmuch as 50£ given by Mr. Williams to aid Mardin church in building a house of worship has inadvertently been otherwise expended we ask the Prudential committee to be allowed to pay this amount when the church shall be ready to use it for the purpose specified, and to charge it in the the next Semi-annual account of the Station after its payment.

Dr. Thom presented the monthly letter, containing a report of his work since coming to Mardin.

Mr. Andrus presented a draft of the annual Report, which was adopted.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

~~May~~ July 29th. 1882.

Meeting at Mr. Andrus'. Opening prayer. Reading of the Minutes.

Voted- To grant the request of Aboosh of Kutterbul for an advance of two months' salary, to enable him to lay in supplies.

Voted- To hold meetings once in two weeks ~~for~~ for the purpose of discussing topics, pertaining to the theory and practice of missionary work, to which all the members of the Station shall be invited. Mr. Gates and Miss. Sears were appointed a committee of arrangements for said meetings.

Voted- To decline the proposition of Daood Effendi, to take the house in Midyat market

for two years in consideration of the use of 2000 ft. for the same length of time.

Saturday Morning July 1st.

A meeting was held to consider matters pertaining to the work in Mardin. It was agreed to recommend a meeting with a committee consisting of two members of the medjliss of the church, two members of the medjliss of the community, and one member of the Executive Committee of the 2d Congregation.
It was also agreed that Mr. Andrus should accept, provisionally, the invitation of the 2nd Cong. to occupy their pulpit for a month, subject to any change which may be deemed advisable.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

July 3rd. 1882

Opening prayer, reading of the minutes.
Voted- That Yusef Murad be dropped from the Middle School, because of lack of ability.
Voted- That Selimo of Sert do not return to the Middle School, for the next school year.
Voted- That Maälim Eleya of Sert be instructed to close his school at the end of this month, ~~that~~ he may have a month's vacation before reentering the Middle School.
Voted- That a gift of nine books from the Y.M.C.A. to the Library be accepted, and Mr. Andrus be requested to return our thanks for them.
After listening to letters from Sert & Midyat, concerning matters pertaining to the communities, also one from Melki Mereana, asking to be removed from Midyat, a sitting was held with a delegation from Kerboran and Arbi.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

July 10th. 1882

Meeting at Mr. Andrus'. Opening prayer. Minutes read.
Voted - To sell the remainder of the blankets belonging to the F.R.F. to Naoom Kello for 20 ps.
Voted - To have the water course for the spring at the Garden dug out, the expense to be met from the appropriation for a Gardener's Lodge.
Voted - To appoint Mr. Andrus to superintend the construction of this water way.
Voted - To employ an assistant hostler from the time when any of the Station remove to the Garden, for so long a time as he shall be needed, Salary not to exceed 70 ps.
Voted - To answer a letter from Dairiki asking that the salary of the teacher Abd el Messiah be paid in advance of the regular time; to the effect that the community is the responsible party, and that the aid given to the community will be forwarded at the stated time
Voted - To give the old mooffas to Mr. Andrus. to be used as he shall see fit. C.F. Gates. Sec'y.

July 17th. 1882

Regular Meeting opened with prayer. Minutes read.
Voted - To grant a vacation to Shemmie Murad of one month; her salary to be continued meanwhile
A letter from Dr. Clark to the Station, enclosing a letter to the church in Mardin, was presented. Both letters having been read it was voted to deliver the letter to the church.
A letter from Sert was read, asking for Kermis as teacher for the girls' school, in place of the present teacher who is to be married.
Voted - To reply that we are satisfied with the arrangement, and will give 30 ps. toward her salary, suggesting also the wisdom of taking a vacation in that school until Sept. 1st.
Letters from Oroomiah in regard to a govern-

ment agent were read, and referred to the Secretary of Native Correspondence for answer.
The question of the advisability of accepting the pulpit offered to us by the 2nd cong. was discussed:
Voted— To accept it. Mr. Ainslie voting in the negative.
Voted— To invite Mr. Andrus to continue in his pulpit services and Mr. Drury in the charge of the Sabbath School.

July 19th.

The committee of the Y.M.C.A. having waited upon the station the evening preceding to state that they had been appointed a School committee by the medjliss of the community and to proffer a request that Battman might be given to them as teacher of the boy's school in the city, a meeting was held to discuss the advisability of granting their request.
After a prolonged discussion it was voted— To grant their request. Mr. Drury and Dr. Thom voting in the negative.

July 20th.

A special meeting was called to consider letters from Midyah.
Voted— To instruct Jurgis to hire an animal and go to Kerboran to attend to matters there.
Agreed to leave the question of the disposition to be made of the three Middle School students in Midyat undecided until a visit can be made.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

July 24th. 1882.

Regular meeting at Dr. Thom's, opened with prayer.
Voted— To invite the medjliss of the church to meet with us Tuesday evening at 11 o'clock Turkish, to discuss the advisability of holding meetings of conference and Prayer. The remainder of the session was devoted to the consideration of the disposition to be made of the Theological students. C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Meetings were held on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons for the completion of unfinished business. On Monday a letter was read from Yeshua -

Voted - To instruct M. Jurgis to pay the kreeb. of the animal used by Yeshua in visiting Mahserta and Befawa

Voted - To instruct M. Jurgis to go to Azaakh on his return from Kerboran, and to visit Midhé on the way home: the object of these visits being to ascertain whether these places are ready to receive a teacher, and provide a place for him

Voted - That the Middle School be conducted by M. Yusef, during the coming year, with the assistance, and under the superintendence of the missionary assigned to Mardin.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday afternoon, leaving on the table a motion for the assignment of some of the Theological students.

Wednesday afternoon the station met in Mr. Andrus' study

Voted - To donate a hymn-book to Shemas Thoma, the expense to be met from the appropriation for Native agency.

The teachers of the Girls' Training School having asked advice in regard to the admission of two girls; it was agreed to admit them on payment of 50 ps. for the daughter of Pastor Abosh and 25 ps. for the daughter of Deacon Beshro, both of Kulterbul.

Voted - To assign M. Abd el Ahad to Sert, his ~~present~~ salary to be continued at the present rate

Voted - To assign Beshara to E. Mardin.

Voted - To ask Mr. Andrus & Dr. Thom to confer with M. Abd el Ahad in regard to his assignment to Sert

Mr. Ainslie having stated that he did not accept the assignment of himself to Midyat made by the Station, it was voted to reconsider the vote assigning Mr Andrus to Mosul.

Moved - To amend the former vote so as to assign Mr. Andrus to Midyat.

Voted - To lay this motion on the table until next Monday afternoon.

Meeting adjourned.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

The Regular Meeting of the Station Monday July 30th. was held in Dr. Thom's study. Opened with prayer. After the reading of the Minutes, the motion laid on the table at the previous meeting was taken under consideration.

Voted - To assign Mr. Andrus to Midyat, for work during the coming year.

Voted - To reconsider the votes previously taken, by which Dr. Thom was assigned to Mardin, and Mr. Gates to Mosul.

Voted - To amend so as to assign Dr. Thom and Mr. Gates to Mosul.

Voted - To assign M. Jurjis to Mosul, at a salary of 275 ps.

Items amounting to 1488½ ps. approved.

Voted - To sell the two large touring beds, if possible, for 100 ps. each, and retain the ~~three~~ small ones as the property of the Touring Dept.

Voted - To invite the disciplined members of the church in Mardin to meet us Tuesday evening July 31st, at Mr. Dewey's.

A letter from Dairiki having been read, asking V - for 2000 ps. for building, it was voted to send 1000 ps. now, and ask for an itemized account of expenses.

A letter from M. Jurjis was read.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Monday Aug. 7th 1882

Several meetings were held during the week at which the following conclusions were reached.

Agreed - To approve the apportionment of the expense of paving the stable-yard, as presented by Mr. Ainslie

Mr. Ainslie presented the monthly letter to Boston, which was approved.

Voted - To approve Teacher Elyia's request for 36 ps. Kurush from Sert to Cullith, and pay that sum.

Voted - That the Theol. Students about to enter the work be considered as coming under the general rule for advance of salary to helpers.

Voted - To inform the Theol. Students that a portion of their salaries will be held in trust by us to aid them in meeting the expenses of the next year of study.

In consultation with the teachers of the Women's Training School, it was agreed to approve the circular which they propose to send out, fixing three grades of charges for admission to the school, viz. 50 ps, 100 ps, & 150 ps.

Agreed - also to approve the reception of two girls from Karabash on payment of 50 ps. each.

Voted - To instruct Elyia of Cullith to present himself at the opening of the next term of the Middle School, to continue in the school, unless sufficient reason shall be found for dismissing him.

Voted - To send Wardo Ros to the Jebel Toor region to assist Mr. Andrus in work among the villages.

Voted - To drop Bahad, teacher in Bath, and appoint Ishak in his place.

Voted - To allow Yeshua to return home, his salary to be continued one month from the date of notification.

Voted - To inform the Dairiki community that we shall not be able to assist them more than 500 ps. next year for their schools.

C. F. Gates, Sec'y.

Monday, Aug. 14th. 1882

After prayer and reading of the minutes it was voted to appoint Mr. Gates sub-treasurer at Mosul.

A letter from Kalaat Murat having been read, it was Voted - To station Amoos in Monsooriyeh for a year in consequence of the refusal of the Kalaat Congregation to accept of the arrangement made for them.

Voted - To inform Hanna Dyakh that we should like to have him continue in our service, and request him to come to Mosul with his family about Nov. 1st, so as to begin work on the arrival of the missionaries.

Voted - To send 10 Liras to the Dairiki community, with caution against reckless expenditure.

Voted - To send Stephan to Monsouriyeh, near Jezireh, and pay him a salary of 150ps. until we shall hear from Dr. Shedd, or until the close of the year.

Mr. Andrus reported on Receipts and Expenditures on account of the School.

Voted - To approve his report, and appoint Mr. Dewey principal of the schools for the coming School year.

Voted - To appoint Mr. Ainslie to the care of the premises.

Aug. 15th.

Voted - To tell Abd el Messiah that we see no prospect of giving him employment beyond the first of the year.

?, Voted - To ask the Prudential Committee for permission to use the appropriation for Rent in Mosul to clear off the tax account of the year on Mardin Mission Premises.

Voted - To reply to the request for a teacher for the girl's schools, preferred by the Mardin School Community, that we do not know of any one better fitted for the position than M. Mirrho; but that, if they choose to enter into correspondence with M. Illet, we shall ~~offer~~ no objections to her coming.

C. F. Gates

Aug. 15th. 1882

Voted - To send M. Abd el Ahad to Sert, with his family, at a salary of 275 ps. as at present, provided the Sert community will provide a house for him.
Agreed - To send Elyas to Midyat, at once.

Garden, Aug. 26th. 1882

At a previous meeting held at the Garden, three propositions were presented to M. Yusef and M. Antone, tentatively, in respect to the arrangements for work in Mardin city. In review of these it was agreed to make no change until after Mr. Andrus' return from Sert.
Agreed - To continue the arrangements for the Midyat Middle School, as announced in the circular last year.
Items amounting to 989¼ ps. were approved.

C. F. Gates

Sept. 4th. 1882.

Regular Station Meeting at Dr. Thom's, opened with prayer. Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved, up to the minutes of the second meeting of Aug. 15th.
Voted - Not to pay the kiraḥ of Hanna Meliha from Midyat to Mardin and return.
A letter from Cullith was read, and Mr. Drury gave a report on Gorli
Agreed - That Dr. Thom should visit Gorli, and Mr. Drury, Cullith.
Letters from Karabash and Kutterbul were read asking for teachers.
Voted - To reply that we had thought of Mousa's brother as teacher for Karabash, and Mikko, for Kutterbul, and request them to inform us what arrangements they can make.
Voted - To allow Mr. Gates to go to Sert

Dr. Thom in the chair

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Sept. 29/82

Meeting in Dr. Thom's study.

Voted - To grant aid to Jurjis to the amount of 6½ animals for transfer of his family and effects to Mosul.

Voted - To let his salary remain as voted at the time of his appointment to Mosul.

Voted - To buy the horse owned by Mrs. Dewey for use as a baggage animal.

Voted - To allow Jurjis to pay the balance of his debt over 600 ps. ~~now~~, and the 600 next year.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Oct. 2/82

The Regular Meeting of the station was held in Mr. Dewey's study, Mr. Andrus and Dr. Thom were absent.

Voted - That we learn with much pleasure that Dr. Barnum of Kharpoot is to be invited to sit upon the council about to meet for advising the Mardin church in regard to existing difficulties, and express an earnest hope that he will accept the invitation.

Voted - To clean such of the wells, as need cleaning.

Agreed - To make repairs needed in the school yard.

Voted - Not to allow Beshara's request for 9½ ps. expenses for moving his household to the other side of the city.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Station Meeting was held in Mr. Andrus' study, after his return from Midyat to consider matters of importance.

Mr. Andrus reported that the house in Midyat used as a missionary residence has been sold, to be vacated 90 days after Oct. ~~4th~~, viz. Jan. 2d 1883 if the final installment has been received at that time. The first installment has been received and the second is to be paid in November.

Voted - To build 4 menzilliks on top of the present school building in Midyat, to be used as a missionary residence during the coming Winter, and a stable large enough for four animals

Agreed - That Mr. Andrus, Mr. Ainslie and one of the young ladies should go to Dairiki

Voted - To suspend the Middle School in Midyat for the coming Winter.

Oct 7th. 1882

Voted – To relieve Mrs. Drury of the care of the Garden, and appoint Mr. Ainslie in her place for one year.
Voted – To sell the house opposite the pastor's for 68 liras. If not sold in 10 days will rent for 10 ps. per month subject to a month's notice to vacate.
Voted – To accept the arrangement made by the Kutterbul church for their school, according to which their pastor is to teach the coming Winter, and to aid them to the amount of 50 ps. per month, for that school.

The case of Eleya of Kullith was deferred to the regular Station Meeting on Monday.

Voted – To sell the list of articles belonging to the Station, previously offered for sale, to Mr. Drury for 8 liras.
Voted – To sell the open stove in Midyat to the community for 100 ps. to be used in their chapel.

C. F. Gates, Secy.

Oct. 9th. 1882.

The regular weekly meeting of the Station was held in Mr. Drury's study.

After careful consideration of the charges brought against Eleya, a pupil in the Middle School;
Voted – To expell him from the School for falsehood.

The annual election of Station Officers was held with the following result;—

Chairman – W. C. Drury
Secretary – J. A. Ainslie
Treasurer – W. C. Drury
Auditor – J. A. Ainslie
Medical Dept. – D. M. B. Thom
Post Master – J. A. Ainslie
Principal of the Middle School – W. C. Drury
Book Dept. – W. C. Drury
Stables, Touring & Premises – J. A. Ainslie
Garden – J. A. Ainslie by vote Oct. 7th.
Gov't. Work, Arabic Secy } A. N. Andrus.

Items amounting to 4108¼ ps (3914 gold) were approved.

Voted - To continue the present rates of deduction from the salaries of helpers to pay their debts.

Letters to the Rooms at Boston were read by Mr. Dewey and Mr. Gates.

Voted - To approve the use of 380 ps. as a grant in aid to the community in Arnas, to be used in building a room for the preacher.

M. Jibbis, of Arnas having requested permission to come to Mardin for the arrangement of his affairs

Voted - To allow him to come at his own expense.

A second request from him to be allowed to place his wife and children in Midyat for the Winter, was answered to the same effect, allowing him to do so at his own expense.

Agreed - To pay Rajis 400 ps. for his services in Midyat, the same to be collected from Besnah, as costs in the case.

C. F. Gates, Sec.

A. N. Andrus,
Chairman

October 13th 1882.

Oct. 14th, 1882.

Special meeting in Mr. Andrus' study. Opened with prayer. Mr. Andrus having just returned from a trip to Diairiki, reported on the state of affairs there.

Approved

Letters were read from Kaabe, Midyat & Bagdad.

Agreed to reply to Isya of Kaabe, advising that his wife open a girls' school, without salary.

Agreed to ask permission to close out stock of books in Bagdad at the best possible terms.

J. Ainslie, Sec.

Oct. 16th, 1882.

Regular meeting in Mr. Dewey's study. Opened with prayer. Mosul matters were discussed. Items expended on premises were read by Mr. Ainslie & approved.

Moved to give from touring a grant in aid 100 piastres to the community in Diairiki for moving Abdul Mesiah & family to Mardin.

Approved

Voted that the following intersessional vote be approved & the secretary be instructed to communicate with the Prud. Com. in regard to it. "That in consideration of nine years of continuous service and the present state of her health, we recommend that ~~the~~ Miss. Sears visit the U. S. in the Spring of 1883, & ask the Prud. Com. to assent thereto."

Voted that the church & community of Mardin be allowed the use of the house opposite the pastor's for 8 mos., for 50. piastres & care of house.

Voted that the east room of the "hospital" be offered to Mucho Hashish at 5. piastres a month & the care of the roof.

Voted that three inside windows (specified) be made at expense of premises.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

Oct. 17th, 1882.

Station Tea at Mr. Dewey's.

Approved

Voted To allow the church & community of Mardin the use of the house opposite the pastor's free of rent to July 1st, provided it be used for school purposes.

Oct. 24th, 1882.

Mr. Dewey's study.

Approved.

Voted that Yassie be assigned to the school in Sert, instead of Moalim Bahi, & that the matter of the studies of the former pupils of the Midyat Middle School be left for examination by Mr. Andrus.

Agreed to have the khoorgee repaired at expense of touring.

Oct. 28th, 82.

Special meeting at Dewey's study.

Opened with prayer.

Voted That the 23 piastres given to the Koordish work according to the last monthly statement be handed to the pastor at Redwan.

Approved.

Voted That Ishue of Kulluth be sent without his family to Sert as Bible-reader, at former salary.

Jan. 18th, '83.

Meeting called at Dewey's study. Opened with prayer by Mr. Andrus. It was found that since the last meeting the following matters have been voted by the station by means of letters back & forth.

Voted To turn the old set of Phys. Charts over to the School Com. of Mardin Community for use in their schools.

Voted - To make Yassie's salary 180 p. a month & Ishue 165 p. a month while they are in Sert.

Voted To make Shemmie Murad's salary 115 p. a month, 25 to enable her to pay her rent.

Voted Approved To give from the sale of the building in Midyat 300 p. to the proprietors of the well on the premises in consideration of their loss.

The remainder of the session with the session the morning of Jan. 19" was spent in discussing plans of work to be presented to the church in Mardin.

J. Ainslie, Sec'y.

Jan. 24" '83.

Meeting in Mr. Dewey's Study. Opened with prayer.

Voted That Mr. Ainslie visit Geoli to arrange if possible with the people there in the matter of their debt to their preacher.

Voted Approved That in reply to a request from the Kalaat congregation we reply that if they will contribute 20 p. a month toward his support we will give them a teacher according to the arrangement of last Spring.

Voted That in reply to a communication from the pastor at Hairiki we accept his son as teacher of the school in that place for six months and agree to assist the congregation toward his support 50 p. a month.

J. Ainslie, Sec'y.

Jan. 25" '83.

Meeting held in Mr. Dewey's study.

Voted To authorize the Station Treasurer to pay for the purchase of materials for school building above the chapel such sums as may be called for up to the amount of 35 Liras, these payments to be from the appropriation for Middle School Building.

At this and former meetings with the mejlis of the church in Mardin a plan of cooperation was devised which is in effect as follows. The Board and the Mardin Church & congregation unite in the support of all forms of evangelistic & educational work carried on in the city (with the exception of the Women's Training School and the Theol. Seminary which are retained in the hands of the missionaries). For the present year the church pays one-third & the station two-thirds of all expense. The share assumed by the station is to decrease annually by 5 per ct. on the whole sum. Approved

At a subsequent meeting it was voted to allow Mr. Ainslie

and Miss. Pratt to accompany Mr. Andrus in a tour to Sert.

(The tour was made Feb. 12th — Mar. 6th.)

At various times these votes were taken by letter.

Voted That beginning with Apr. 1st, Hanna Milcha's salary be reckoned at 100 p. & his wife's at 45 p.

Voted That we pay ¼ the salary of Abd-el-Messiah in Midyat from Jan. 15th to Mar. 21st, 100 p. and that beginning with Apr. 1st we assume the whole of his salary, 160 p.

Voted That 235½ p. be paid to Mr. Andrus as aid in Government work in the Jebel Toor.

J. Ainslie Secy.

Apr. 14th, 83.

Special meeting called in Mr. Dewey's study.

Opened with prayer by Mr. Andrus. Minutes to date read & approved.

Voted That the request of Yusuf Peham of Kerboran for a loan of 100 piastres be not ~~approved~~ granted.

Voted That we do not wish at present to sell the remaining part of the Shemmas Slibah house in Midyat.

Voted That in case the people of Salah do not change before May 1. in their attitude toward the Gospel, we take from them their preacher Saad & set him to work as an evangelist in the Silsileh & Lashiteah regions.

Approved.

Voted That permission be given to Abd. El Messiah of Midyat to leave his work 15 days to visit his family. Also that we do not think it best to move his family to Midyat as the duration of his work there is uncertain.

Voted That we reply to a request from Melchi Mesina for aid, that we cannot do anything definite on the matter until after the meeting in Constantinople.

Voted That in view of the lack of teaching force & the desirability

of Miss Pratt's spending the coming winter in Mosul, the girls school be closed at the end of the term to remain closed for one year.

Voted That Dr. Thom be instructed to endeavor to arrange with Eunice Bey for his house in Mosul at the lowest figure during time of occupation. If he fails in this, to look for other houses. As a last resort to make the best terms possible with Eunice Bey for a term not to exceed one year.

Voted That Mr. Andrus write to Dr. Thom urging the reasons against the return of Muallim Jurjis with his family, but allowing him to return at his own charges with a vacation of 40 days.

J. Ainslie, Sec'y

Apr. 16th, '83.

Meeting in Mr. Dewey's study. Opened with prayer & the reading of minutes.

Voted That the people of Kaab be advised to begin a "building fund" toward building a church for themselves.

Voted That under the present arrangement for preaching in Sert, we cannot continue to assist them. That if they will agree on a regular preacher whom we can accept, we will resume our assistance towards his salary.

Approved.

Because of lack of prosperity in his work in Sert, Ishua was transferred to Mardin, and he then refusing to work was dismissed.

J. Ainslie, Sec'y.

Approved.

May 15th, '83.

A meeting was held in Mr. Dewey's study to consider "estimates".

J. Ainslie, Sec'y

May 18th, '83.

Meeting in Dr. Thom's study. Opened with prayer & reading of the

minutes.

Voted. That Mukhi Aishu be employed on a tour to Zaiviki, Diarbekir, Sert, etc. on a salary of two liras a month.

Voted. That owing to the sickness of the wife of Abd el Messiah, his delay of 8 days beyond his vacation be allowed him.

Approved.

Voted That Muallim Jurjis be instructed to buy three average kellek loads of wood in Mosul for the use of the missionaries next winter.

Voted. That we buy a piece of barley outside the city for not over 500 ps.

Voted. That the salaries of Muallim Jurjis & Abshara be paid in advance to the end of August.

J. Ainslie
Secy.

May 23", 83.

Meeting in Mr. Dewey's Study. Opened with prayer & reading of minutes.

Voted That if the piece of property by the side of the church in Mosul comes up for sale, the community be urged to give 30 liras toward purchasing it, we engaging to give the balance.

Approved.

The remainder of the meeting was spent in arranging places of work for the scholars of the Women's Training School for the coming year.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

June 1" 1883.

Meeting in Mr. Ainslie's study. Opened with prayer & reading of the minutes.

Voted That the time of the regular Station Meeting be fixed for Thurs. at 3 P.M.

Voted That Daood of Salah be asked to take a vacation for a time.

Voted That the kirwet of his house in Midyat be allowed him.

Approved.

Voted That Mr. Perry try to arrange with Amoos of Montasseeya to go with Mukhi Aishu on his tour. (Note. Arranged.)

Voted That Hanna Milehe's salary be reckoned at 125 so long as his wife does not read to the women.

Voted That Yakob, teacher at Karabosh be allowed his salary for the 20 days of May that he has taught.

Voted That the bill of 3245 piastres presented by Dr. Thom for extra expenses in Mosul & for articles bought & left there be accepted; that we ask 20 liras special appropriation from the Pru'd. Com., & charge the balance to Touring for the present.

Voted That 10 liras be credited to Touring from Med. Dept. toward Mosul expenses.

J. H. Ainslie.
Sec'y.

June 7th, 1883.

Approved. Regular Station Meeting held in Mr. Pavey's study. Opened with prayer, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read & approved. After discussion on various matters the meeting adjourned.

J. Ainslie
Sec'y.

June 14th, 1883.

Regular Station Meeting held in Dr. Thom's study. Opened with prayer & the reading of the minutes.

Approved. Voted To offer the "Shemmas Selibah house" in Midyat for eight liras, & meanwhile to rent it for 10 piastres per. month.

Voted That we offer the "Market house" in Midyat for 35 liras cash down or 4000 piastres on six months time, the house remaining in our hands during that time.

J. Ainslie,
Sec'y.

June 21st 1883.

Regular Meeting held in Mr. Ainslie's study. Opened with prayer & the reading of the minutes.

Voted That Shemmas Ermeeya of Mosul be instructed to secure from Eunice Beg a written guarantee for his house for a year, the house to be ready for occupation Sept. 1st.

Approved

After discussion on various matters the meeting adjourned.

J. Ainslie,
Sec'y.

July 30th 1883.

Meeting called at the garden at 9½ A.M. Opened with prayer by Mr. Andrus. Present Messrs. Andrus, Dewey & Ainslie.

Voted. To call in the Theological class at the regular time for a year of study.

Voted. That for the coming winter, Mardin be occupied by Messrs. Andrus & Gates with their families, Midyat by Mr. Ainslie & family, Mosul by Dr. Thom & Mr. Dewey, the question concerning their families to be left for future decision.

Voted. That Mr. Ainslie have the consent of the station to secure Ruffi as a private servant, he to be released from his present position when a substitute is procured.

Voted. That the following men, Abaharra, Elyas, Isya, Amoos, Ishak, be requested to return to the Theological class this fall, to be in Mardin by Sat. Sept. 1st; the cases of Daood & Mardurus to be left for future consultation with them.

Voted. That in the case of the helpers who are not returned to the Seminary, the amount set aside for money be forfeited, but if any one is continued in the work his salary be readjusted for the future.

Adjourned

Voted. To accept the resignation of Mr. Dewey as principal of the Middle School and representative of the missionaries on the School Board.

Voted. That Mr. Gates be appointed principal of the Middle School.

Voted. That Mr. Andrus be the representative of the missionaries on the School Board.

Voted. That the prospective 1st & 2nd classes of the Middle School be not called in for the ensuing school year.

Voted. To inform the Kutturbul community that we can apply 600 ps. for their boy's school the coming winter, & the Kulluth community that we can apply 350 ps. for the like purpose; and ask them to make provisional arrangements and report for our approval, we suggesting Tomas Hagob for the former & Daood Sheekha for the latter.

Voted. To inform Hanna Sehda that we expect to have employment for him & to inform Hannah Siro that we think best for him to take a vacation next year.

Voted. That we make no objection to the employment of Behanam Sheikha in the common school at Mardin.

Voted. That in view of having underrated cost of living in Kaabe when Joya's salary was fixed, we now make him a grant in aid of 120 ps.

Adjourned to 4 P. M.

Voted. That Shemoon of Geoli be appointed teacher of the common school in Midyat at 90 ps. to begin Sept. 17".

Voted. To reply to the request of the Karabash community for a teacher that we wish them first to fulfil their obligations to their pastor, after which we can give them 300 ps. toward a school for 5 mos. at not less than 75 ps. a month, and that we recommend Melchi Harnash as teacher.

Approved

July 31"

Met at 9½ A. M. Opened with prayer.

Voted. That Moosa Hanna be assigned to Mosul for the coming year as teacher of the boy's school at a salary of 7½ mejidees, his salary to begin at date of leaving Karabash. & his leaving to be subject to the order of the missionary going to Mosul.

Voted. That 800 ps. more be advanced to the community in Qairiki toward the church building.

J. Ainslie. Secy.

Approved

Aug. 2"

Meeting called at 9½ A. M. Opened with prayer. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Voted. To approve the following schedule for work among the women during the coming year.

	Place	Teacher	Salary	Time
1	Mosul.	Roumeia.	—	12 mos.
2	Mardin.	Hane.	—	—
3	Mardin.	Sara.	—	—
4	Geoli;	Elsash.	40	6 "
5	Qairiki	Luseek.	30	8 "
6	Kutturbul.	Touma.	50	to June 30:
7	Karabash.	Saidi.	40	8.
8	Kulluth.	Raheel.	40	8 "
9	Midyat.	Sara Sheikha	70	12 "
10	Azakh.	Saidi	—	—
11	Sert.	Kermig	(60)½	12 "

	Place	Biblereader	Salary	Time.
12.	Midyat	Lucy	70	12 mos.
13.	Kerboran	Khuzmie	65	12 "

Meeting adjourned.

J. Ainslie,
Secy.

Aug. 6th 1883.

Meeting called in Mr. Dewey's study in the city. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & approved.

Voted. That 1¼ ps. a week be given as grant in aid to such pupils as enter the Middle School under our charge. (Ainslie voted "No.")

Voted. That Kullath, Midyat & vicinity be visited by Messrs. Andrus, Dewey & Ainslie. (Note. The tour was made Aug. 10th-28th)

Voted. That the station recommend that arrangements be made for a conference of the churches at as early a date as possible.

Approved.

Voted. That the treasurer be authorized to pay over to the theological student (on their coming & calling for it) the amount reserved for money.

Voted. That the usual advances be made to helpers for their money.

Voted. That the 100 ps. given by Mr. Sester to the girls' school in Midyat be handed over to the missionary appointed to Midyat to be used as he sees best.

Adjourned. J. Ainslie, Secy.

While Messrs Andrus, Dewey & Ainslie were in Midyat the following matters were decided.

Voted. That a vacation of 15 days be given to Abd el Messiah.

Voted. That a vacation of 20 days be given to Hanna Mileha.

Voted. That Hanna Mileha be continued in the work.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

Aug. 31st 1883.

Meeting called in Mr. Dewey's study. Opened with prayer. Minutes read & approved. Mukdsi Melki of Geoli having presented some statements with regard to the congregation at Geoli it was

Voted. To request the presence of a committee from Geoli to talk with us on these matters.

Voted. That the treasurer be instructed to pay over to the Gairiki community the balance of the money in our hands for the building of the church, & that the community be informed that they are to expect nothing further from us.

Voted. To ask the mejilis of the community at Mosul to find a house for the missionary family this winter.

Approved. A telegram from the Mosul church in regard to a teacher was referred to Mr. Andrus for answer.

A statement of receipts & expenditures for the Middle & Woman's Training School for the last year was read & approved.

Voted. That needed repairs be made on the school premises.

Voted. That Mr. Pency be instructed to pay the kirwet of Koumeria to Mosul.

Items for kirwet of helpers, etc. were approved.

Voted. That irons be put in the upper windows of the Midyat house.

Adjourned to next Mon. evening.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

Sept. 3rd, 1883.

Meeting called in Dr. Thom's study. Opened with prayer. Minutes of the last meeting read & approved. Mr. Andrus reported that matters at Geoli were settled.

The following candidates applied for admission to the Middle School and asked for help from the funds of the Board.

Approved.

				aid granted
Eleeya	of	Geoli.	rejected	
Yusuf	"	"	accepted	12 ps. per week.
Saïd	"	"	"	8 " "
Selim	"	Mardin	"	10 " "
Aisa	"	Benibeel	"	10 " "

Letters from Karabosh & Kaabe were read after which the meeting adjourned.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

Sept. 5th 1883.

Meeting called in Mr. Pency's study. Opened with prayer. Minutes of the previous meeting read & approved. Letters were read from Melchi of Karabosh & Shemoon of Geoli.

Voted. To give Shemoon of Geoli another month's salary in advance.

Abd el Messiah having asked for another week's vacation,

Voted. That he be offered the alternative of prolonging his vacation without salary, or appointing an agent to attend to his business here while he goes at once to Midyat.

A report of the colporteur trip of Mukhi Aishu was presented.

Voted. That the salary of Mukhi Aishu be charged to Dr. Bliss of the Bible Society, the salary of his assistant to Native Agency, & the expenses of the animal to Touring.

Voted. That Yacoob Abelli be appointed to labor in Bati this winter at a salary of 140 ps., his salary to begin when he goes to Bati to stay.

Approved

Voted. That, looking to the necessities of the case & his own best interests, we think best for M. Jurjis to return to Mosul, to be there by Oct. 15th at a salary of 18 mejidees, this salary to begin Sept 1st; and that he be aided from Native Agency to the amount of 10 liras, to meet increased expenses incurred on acct of illness & death of his wife.

Voted. That the Mosul community be recommended to give a vacation to the girls' school until Oct. 1st, at which time Roumeia will take the school.

Agreed. That Mr. Andrus & Miss Pratt go to Geoli this week.

Voted. That Hanna Mileha be appointed to Sert as teacher of the boys' school at a salary of 8½ mejidees, the increase to begin at date of arrival in Sept.

Adjourned.

J. Ainslie, Secy.

Sept. 11th 1883

Meeting called in Mr. Ainslie's study. Opened with prayer, after which the minutes were read, corrected & approved.

Approved

The theological students came before us to ask for an increase of their weekly appropriations.

Voted. That the aid given to Ishak be increased to 18 ps. a week.

Voted. That the case of the others be laid on the table till next meeting.

Voted. That Abd el Ahad son of the pastor of Kairiki be accepted as student in the Middle School.

Voted. That we aid him 14 ps. a week. Adjourned.

J. Ainslie Secy.

Sept. 12" 1883

Meeting called in Mr. Dewey's study. Opened with prayer and reading of the minutes. The matter of aid to the students was passed by without action. A letter from Kainiki was read asking for aid in sending delegates to meeting in Sert.

Voted. That in view of the importance of the proposed conference of the churches to be convened at Sert Oct. 1" the Station aid churches asking for it and showing good cause for assistance to an amount not exceeding one-half the kiruet of one delegate; said sums to be met temporarily from Touring until approved by the Prud. Com. in the form of a special grant.

Messrs. Andrus & Dewey were appointed delegates to the conference.

The election of Station Officers for the coming year was held, with the following result.

Chairman — A. N. Andrus. ✓

Secretary — G. M. P. Thom. ✓

Treasurer — ~~C. F. Gates~~ Dewey ✓ (W. C. Dewey pro. tem.)

Auditor — ~~G. M. P. Thom.~~ Ainslie ✓

Med. Dept. — G. M. P. Thom. ✓

P. Master — A. N. Andrus. ✓

Book Dept. — ~~C. F. Gates~~ Dewey ✓

Stable & Touring — G. M. P. Thom. Gates Gates

Premises — ~~C. F. Gates~~ Thom. Thom.

Garden — C. F. Gates. Ainslie Andrus.

Govt. Work }
Arabic Secy. } — A. N. Andrus. ✓

Mosul Sub-treasurer — W. C. Dewey.

Midyat Sub-treasurer — J. A. Ainslie

Middle School Dewey, Pinies

Voted. That of the appropriation remaining for postage this year, Mosul be allowed to use up to 2.25 & Midyat up to 1.50.

Voted. That for the portion of next year until the Mosul & Midyat parties return, Mosul be allowed to use up to 2.40 & Midyat up to 1.60.

Adjourned at 9 P.M. to meet tomorrow evening.

"Approved."

J. Ainslie Secy.

Thursday Sept. 13th 1883.

Extra session in Dr. Dewey's Study—

Opened by prayer. Minutes of last meeting read, and after the addition of pro. tems. for Commerce & Garden they were approved.—

Miss P. honored us with her presence asking the feasibility of her visiting Sert with the gentlemen at the coming Conference, It was considered not to be a propitious time for such a visit— The matter of her visiting Kullath & Midyat in the near future was then considered & approved, It was decided Muncho Isho should accompany her on the trip.

Miss Pratt visit to Kullath &c.

After a somewhat desultory discussion over the representation of the Th'l Students as to their needs of an increase of their weekly allowance— It was

Voted— That looking to the fact they are receiving in the aggregate a larger sum than former years, we do not accord to their requests—

Voted. They be allowed to select books from the book department— from stock in hand to the amount not to exceed 133 p. each—

Students ask for more aid.

granted books.

A letter from Wilkie Marcus was read, asking advice about the house, yet for sale in Midyat, 450 having been offered— was told to adhere to the amount previously set, viz. 500.

House in Midyat.

Also a letter from Yakeah— Stating his readiness to accept the situation, and go to Sert as soon as Mrriam & her babe, viz Emmanuel— be able to move. The balance of the station were ordered to be presented to him— in view of the happie event that had just taken place—

Yakeah and his baby.

The work on the estimates was then taken up for the rest of the session—

Estimates.

Adjourned at 9. P.M. to meet tomorrow evening at the Bakers—

Approved.

L. M. B. Thom, Sect.

Friday, Sept. 14th, 1883 —

Station tea at the Fakeers.

After a two hours rest — worked an hour on Estimates. Before commencing on them, it was —

Action on Garden.

Voted. That the garden as a whole be let. That those renting have all the proceeds they bearing all expenses — provided no tobacco be grown — Adjourned 9 P.M. to meet tomorrow at Mr. L's @ 10 A.M.

Approved

R. M. B. Thom, Secy.

Saturday. Sept. 15/83 —

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Mr. Andrus. Minutes of the last two meetings read & approved.

Garden.

Voted. That the garden produce be sold for what it will bring.

Voted. The gardener be allowed to withdraw at the end of his ~~month~~ month. viz. Sept. 21st.

Continued work on Estimates, finishing them — Adjourned.

R. M. B. Thom, Secy.

N. B. Mr. Andrus & Miss Pratts proposed visit to Beniatril for the Sabbath was approved —

Approved.

Special -

Voted. That in view of possibil(i)t(i)es & exigencies arising in connection with Mr Dewey's sojourn in Mosul we approve permission to anticipate his Salary to an amount not to exceed at any time two months in advance - of the time of drawing, this permission to continue in force until his return to Mardin - Dewey's Salary.

Voted - That in view of emergency occasioned by the purchase of a horse we approve an advance to Miss Pratt by the Station Trea of Salary for two months viz, Oct and Nov, Pratt's permission to draw in advance.

A. N. Andrus
D. M. B. Thom
W. C. Dewey.

Approved. Mardin, Sept. 19/83

D. M. B. Thom.
Secrt.

Thursday 8 P.M. Sept 20th 1883 -

Regular meeting in Dr Thom's Study - Opened by prayer. minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Business was then taken up, when it was Opening.

Voted, That Mucho Isho be sent to Kullith for the time being, to see if he can do any-thing towards waking up the Community, Mucho Isho going to Kullith.

Voted. That Ishua (Kullethena) be sent to Hassan Kaif for a term of 6 months - on trial - leaving it optional with him as to the taking of his family, At a Saly not to exceed 170 p a month, Ishua to Hassan Keif.

Letters were then read from Kullith and Sert, the former complaining of the coldness of the people - the second informing us of the temporary opening of their schools - to be approved by the Station - or provided with better teachers - they are satisfied with the present incumbent, Saleem ibn (illegible) Shait 55p. Letters, Kullith & Sert.

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Lolo & the Garden — Mr Andrus presented a proposition from Lolo Bj to the effect that they take the garden for the rest of the season, they having the remainder of the produce except the potatoes and squashes. and they to care for it for the same. Also the care of the house for the winter. He to receive 300 $ for that purpose

Voted. That we accept the proposition with the understanding that we hold him responsible for all. — Accepted

Adjourned. — L. M. B. Thom Secy

Monday. 7.30 P.M. Sept. 24th 1883 —
Extra session in Mr Dewey's

Study — Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved —

The necessity of getting some one off to the Coast at an early day to meet Gates & his party was then considered.

Coast Trip — Voted. That Yakob and Ruffie be got ready to start the first opportunity, to allow them for the time on the road 10 and 7 piasters a day, and their food while absent —

Yucho Isho. H.K. — Voted. That Yucho Isho be sent to Hassan Kaif @ a Saly of 200 a month, the increase to be allowed on his arrival there.

Sept School — Voted. That the Sert community be allowed to continue the present teacher in the boys school and we to assist them with his Saly to the amount of 50$ a month, to begin from the date of his commencing —

Hannah Malcaha for Mosul — Voted. That Hannah Malcaha's Saly be increased to ten Mgd's a month on his arrival at Mosul, he to be there, to commence school the 15th of Oct.

Aboosh's Saly. — Voted. That Aboosh be allowed to draw his Saly up to Dec 31st with the understanding that no further payments will be made until

Feb. 15/84, And that we do not approve of his having charge of the school - and that we cannot pay anything towards such an arrangement another year -

Voted, That Melkie Murad (Armaslee) be appointed to teach school for 6 months in Bati - to commence Oct. 15/83 at a saly of 60 P. a month, — Bati School

Approved.

Adjourned. Dan. M. B. Thom. Sect.

Thursday. 7 P.M. Sept. 27th 1883 -

Regular Station meeting in Thom's Study - opened with prayer - minutes of last meeting corrected and approved -

Letter from Ainslie was read urging that Hannah Mebaka be put some where else - Also his ac with Station to date of letter. — Ainslie.

Letter from Mosso (Karabosh) giving 3 reasons for not accepting the order to Mosul - 1st Education defficient - 2d father & brothers will not agree to my going so far from home - 3d having put my hand to other work - the bible says - turn not back! — Mosso Karabosh.

Letter from Abd. El. Masrah Na Masa in regard to moving his family to Midyat - if he is to continue at his work there. — Na Masa.

Approved.

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom. Sect.

Wed. 7 P.M. Oct. 3. 1883 -

Regular Station meeting held tonight - as this is the last Dr. Dewey is to be with us - Starting tomorrow D.V. for Mosul for the winter - Meeting held in Mr. Andrus' room opened with prayer & reading of minutes of last meeting - which were approved - — Opening.

Hannah Malcha | Letter read from Hannah Malchea - at Azock. Out of funds - must be supplied before he can move -

" | Voted - to send a 1½ ₤. to Koss Ablahad, Jezire to be sent to him at once -

Ainslie | Letter from Mr. Ainslie was taken up and the items in it attended to -

X | It was also decided that copies of the action of the Station meetings in Mardin be forwarded to Midyat & Mosul - Also that all business communications be addressed to the Station Secty -

Cornerhouse to Gates | Voted - that the Corner house be placed at the disposal of Mr. Gates - if on his coming he thinks best to occupy it -

Adjourned - D. M. B. Thom, Secty.

Thursday. P. M. Oct. 11 - 1883.

Regular Station meeting, held in Thom's sitting room -

Milkie Hannoosh | Voted - that Milkie Hannoosh be asked to spend about 8 months - 4 in Kallaat and 4 in Mansureah as teacher @ 90 p. a month. Copies sent to Mosul & Midyat.

adjourned. D. M. B. Thom, Secty.

Thursday. P. M. Oct. 18. 1883.

Regular Station meeting held in Thom's sitting room -

Tel fr Dewey | Tel. from Dewey about the new property in Mosul - If we approved - send 100 ₤ or more - approve sending 100 ₤ at present -

Kabäa | Letter from Kabäa - accepting the situation for Kutterbul & Karabosh Churches to look after

them this winter, Asking also that Essia be allowed to act as teacher and bible-reader_ allowed for five months @ 75¢ a month, from Nov 1st

Letter from Kullith - Condition improved through efforts of Muchia Isho, who has been with them for 3 weeks or more - Kullith.

Letter from Muxil Ellas, & Tomma Midyat in answer to our question, "What will you do for bible reader, for the coming year." They desire to have Mucho Isho to work in the market, and if he should come they would do better than last year - say 500 & house - The case to be passed around to A. & Dff. for their thoughts on the matter. Midyat.

Letter from Jezzrah, from a doz. or so, repeating their requests for a teacher to be sent to them - a house is all ready &c &c Jezzrah.

Voted - a new window to Andrus bedroom East side. window.

Adjourned, D. H. B. Thom, Secy.

Sickness of the Dewey family in Mosul hastily called Dr. Thom to that place, leaving here Nov. 8/83. arriving there the 10th After an illness of 39 days Asher Wright Dewey aet. 3 years, 7 months and 13 days - took up his abode in heaven - leaving broken hearted parents, and a mourning Station - and yet, we mourn not as those who have no hope - The dear boy - beloved of us all - has gone to Him, who said "Suffer little children to come unto me, & forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of heaven" We tender the dear, and bereaved parents, our heart-felt sympathies - and commend them to the loving Father, full of love & mercy - who is able to bind up the wounded heart - November 28/83.

139 Nov. 23rd 1883, Mr [illegible] Gates and wife, accompanied by Mrs Andrus and Clara - reached Mardin all accept - Mrs. Gates returning as old member of the Station, She for the first time, they were warmly rec'd by Mr. Andrus, Mrs. Thom and her children being the only members of the Station then in Mardin

Dec 10th Katie E. Ainslie born in Midyat, weight — all well

Thursday eve. 13th Dec, 1883.—

In Gates' sitting room, Opened with prayer.

Bahi Spear — Voted, That we approve of Bahi Speer's accepting the offer of Oscc Naame to accompany him as scribe upon his projected journey, and hold ourselves (A. & G.) ready to employ him upon his return, should an offering present itself =. I vote No (D. T.)

Arabic letters from Sert, Darike & Kullath, were read, and suitable action was taken upon each—

Accepted

Adjourned. D. W. B. Thom Scribe

A. Andrus Pro Tem—

Special Session Saturday eve. Dec 22d 1883

In Thom's Study - Opened with prayer.

The evening was spent mostly in discussing questions in relation to the work in the different quarters, Thom going over matters from Mosul and Midyat, the uncertainty in which we were thrown into by a "Tel" from Ainslie about the house there - and the asking of one of us to go there -

A visit Midyat — Voted that Mr. A. visit - he going alone - if need for, send "tel" for the Mahaffeys on his arrival there - The need of visiting Karabash &c was took up by a letter from the pastor there. It was proposed that Mr. G. visit those places, but considering the state of G's health since his arrival the M.D. would not consent to his going -

Daoud Abdillie being engaged for Bati by A. & T. in Midyat. T was agreed to hire his bed to be 150 a month to commence [illegible]

The matter of the Theologs being sent to different villages during the week of prayer was considered, but postponed for that action until a future meeting.

Accepted

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom. Sec't.

Special Session. Saturday Ev'g Dec. 29/83.

In Andrus Study - Opened by prayer, the minutes of last meeting read and approved. Listened to Andrus report of his visit to Midyat. "Found Mr. & Mrs. A. and the baby doing nicely - on looking over the house found two or three new cracks - but nothing to give alarm, we measured the corners, and walls, found the North & South walls out of plumb a little - but found no springing in pillars. And I give it as my oppion that there is no danger, and that I should not be affraid to spend the winter in it." After this statement a letter from Mr. A. was read by the Sec't, after which it was decided to send Ab-del Meseah to give his oppion upon it, and it was voted he be sent to examin into the condition of the house, and make estimates for some repairs, and improvements and of yard wall &c &c.

Account of A's visit to Midyat.

And Abdel Mesah to see house

Then the matter of the bible reader for Midyat was taken up, Inasmuch as Mucho Isho cannot go on the Saly. we offered him, (viz 225). The brethren in M. proposed Ishia (!) and arranged with him for a Saly of a 150 a month, provided the missionaries agreed. He was proposed in the meeting, but not agreed to. Voted Ab-del Mesеah. N. Afasā be returned. Also in regard to the school teacher - being young and inexperienced, they would like a change - and it was. Voted - That we endeavor to secure Moosa Hanna of Karabash for teacher in Midyat, at a Saly. not to exceed 150 p. a month - and they to furnish him a house.

Bible reader.

School teacher.

Voted - That the Theolg school be closed during the week of prayer - And the Students sent to the following

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Students to Villages. Villages - Ashara - City east End. Amoos Kallat - Mardo Sarcki. Isca Mousureah, Isaak Bennebed, Ellias, Goly -

Visit Villages by A. Voted, Mr Andrus visit the villages in the neighborhood of Diarbekir, during the week of prayer.

Sell Buggie (?) Voted - That the "T.B." be allowed to sell the speckled horse, and buy a Mule instead -

Med Dept F. R. Voted - That the Med financial report be accept. from Oct. 1st to Dec 31st 1883 = Receipts in that time 296.65

New Years Voted - That the reception New Years be held at Mr Andrus, the usual notice being given by Esloff (The Turkey will be served by Mrs Thom - all are cordially invited) - Touring Exp of Mr. A. to Midyat

Expenses 23/4 ... work 16 p - approved and accepted -

Approved

Adjourned. D.M.B. Thom Scribe

Regular Station meeting Thursday eve'g - Jan 3rd 1884,

Met in Gates Study. Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Accounts Voted, the acceptance of the financial acc - of Last ... Schools, Touring and Premises -

Na Masa to Kallatt Voted, Abdl. Messah Na. Masa go to Kallatt as Teacher, now that Mucho Isho has decided to accept our first offer (viz 200) a month, and go as Bible-reader to Midyat -

Bal. F.R.F. Voted, that the bal. of the F. R. F. 155 p be sent to G. F. Mountgomery, for the benefit of Hagin - Sufferers

Approved

Adjourned. D.M.B. Thom, Scribe

Monday Evg. Jan. 21/84.

Special meeting in Thom's Study. Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Voted - That Abdl Mesrah Speer be paid five mejdies - for visiting and examining the Midyat house, - with hire of animal 40 p amt in all to 137½ — | Expenses Speer

Voted - That a conference of the helpers in and around Mardin be held once a month, beginning Feb. 15/ - | Conference

Voted - That a comit consisting of Andrus & Ainslie meet with native brethren and prepair a programme for said convention. | Comit

Adjourned - D. W. B. Thom. Sect,

N. B -

Voted - That C. F. Gates visit Kullith asking the City pastor to accompany him - To look into the condition of the Church & Community there. | Gates visit Kullith

Voted - That the Tr-a - refund from Mission funds expended by Mr. Andrus on Bote & Arnas last year — | Pay to An.a.

Approved

Thursday Evg - Jan. 24/84.

Regular Station meeting in Ainslie's Study - opened with prayer - minutes of last meeting read and approved —

Chairman of convention comitt, reported a programme for first meeting - to be held in Shrōg School room - Voted we accept as presented - Approved — | Convention

Approved

Adjourned. D. W. B. Thom. Sect.

Regular Station Meeting, Thursday Ev'g, Jan. 31/84

In Andrus' Study - Opened with prayer - minutes of last meeting read and approved -

Eskof Gergus & Kulleth, — Present with us Eskof Gergus of Mardin, who kindly favored us with his presence, giving a graphic account of his, and Mr. Gates' visit to Kulleth - on the condition of Church and Community, past, present, and prospective, which was anything but encouraging, resulting in the following vote,

Eskoff Ellis & Goly, — **Voted** - that considering the present condition of Church and Community in Kulleth, and the refusal to meet their share of the expenses for the coming year, Eskoff Ellis be invited to labor in Golie for the time being, on a Saly of 225 a mo -

Muxie Milkie & Monsurreah — **Voted** - that Muxie Milkie be transferred from Golie to Monsurreah - to labor there as teacher and preacher -

Monsur & Jezerah, — **Voted** - that Mr. Dewey be requested to interview Monsoor Kois Namann in regard to employing him for work in Jezerah, with power to engage him at a Saly not to exceed 225 p a month - provided he can be secured -

Mr Dw. colportage report — **Voted** - that Mr. D's report of colportage be accepted and adopted, and that a vote of thanks be extended him for the elaborate and carefully prepared Statement of the same -

Gates & — **Voted** - that Mr Gates correspond with Dr. Bliss of Constantinople asking permission to be allowed

to engage colporters to go over the same ground again as suggested in Mr. D.'s report.

Voted — that we instruct Mr. Dewey to make an effort to secure the transfer of old and new property in Mosul to the Protestant evangelical Church —

Voted — that Mr. Andrus be requested to prepare an open letter to H. B. M. Vice Consul in Mosul. Mr. W. S. Richards imploring his good offices to assist Mr. Dewey in securing the transfer of Mosul property to the P. E. C. according to preceding vote of station —

Transfer of Mosul property

During the work Mr. Andrus Mr Ainslie & your Scribe had a sitting with Abd. el. Messah Speer in regard to the Midyat-house, who had previously presented estimates for repairing the present building — But having other plans presented him viz — tearing down second story building two Muslibes two stories high on the west side, also one " on S. W. corner of old roof making 5 Musllibes, he gave estimates for the same 12,000 p. on the first-plan 6,000 p. Mr. Ainslie was invited to write to Mr. Dewey laying the plan before him. Mr. Andrus to Dr Martin Antioch — asking for permission to retain Abd. el. Messah Speer in the spring long enough to do this work provided we conclude to build —

Midyat House

We also spent a portion of the evening discussing the Coöperation scheme, correcting the errors that had accidentally entered into said scheme, and making out the plans on 6 / 8 / 8. in accordance with original basis —

Coöperation

Approved

Adjourned 10.30 P. M.

L. M. B. Thom
Secl.

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Regular Station Meeting. Feb 14, 1884 –

Met in Thom's – Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved –

Monthly letter — The monthly letter prepared by Mr. Andrus read and approved –

Dewey asked to return to. — Voted – that the Station advise Mr. Dewey to return to Mardin as soon as the weather will permitt –

A letter from Monsoor. — A letter read from Monsoor Ross Nadmann – refusing to go to Jezira – Voted – No further action be taken in regard to him –

Dr. Ts fee. — Voted – Dr. Thom charge Toma Hermies 4. £. for his services, to his family –

item 40 p. — Voted – to accept an item of 40 p. from Mr. Ainslie for wood used in the Midyat house since he left,

letter from Sanders — A letter from Sanders of Aintab in regard to back postage &c, in Skandroon correspondence amounting to 1 £. was Voted – to be accepted and divided into 7 shares of 15 p. each –

Abd el Masseh Na Masa — Voted – Abd-el Masseh Na Masa be located in Kalaat Mara for 1884 as preacher & teacher, on condition the community move him, & pay 200 p. towards his salary –

Adjourned – D. M. B. Thom
Sec'y –

Regular Station Meeting,
Tuesday ev'g, Feb. 21st 1884

Met in Ainslie's parlor, minutes of last meeting read and approved. Letter read from Malam Jirgus detailing the troubles in Mosul. Confirming the statements already rec'd from Mr. Dewey, And in consideration of them Messrs

Mosul — A & G. Com't. write a letter. — Andrus and Gates were appointed a Com'tee. to draw up a letter, to be sent from the station, to the Church and Community setting forth to them, what such a condition of things would result [illegible],

Midyat — A letter was read from the [illegible] of the Midyat Community urging us if it was possible to lessen the amount laid upon them

for 1884 but as they are paying only 1/5 of the whole amount expended there – and in view of their ability in comparison with other communities – and the amount paid them by the Station, we do not see our way clear to pay any more.

Approved

Adjourned – D. M. B. Thom, Sec.

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Regular Station Meeting held in Gates' Study – Feb. 25th/84. Opened with prayer. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Letter from Sert – urging the coming of one of the missionaries – to spend a couple of months or more. — Letter from Sert

The matter was duly weighed – and in consideration of the inability of any ones going at present, It was thought best to answer them to the effect that after annual meeting they might hope for the coming of some one.

The community agent for Jebel Toor was considered, and the following action taken – — Jebel Toor Agent

Voted – That in the absence of funds for the purpose the station take no step at present to secure an appointee for that office, ~~at present~~.

The 5th ~~open~~ letter to W. L. Richards H. B. M. C. in Mosul, was read and approved – — Letter to Richards

Appd

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom, Sect.

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Special Station Meeting, held in Andrus' Study, Mch. 5 A.M. 1884.

Voted – Nothing be done to the Midyat house in the way of repairs, until after Annual Meeting. — Midyat House

Dewey letter taken up. #1. Voted – Dewey be instructed to secure a room, and store the Mission property for the present – #2, Is disposed of by the action of the first – — Mosul

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Boys School in Mosul — #3, Voted — the boys school in Mosul be turned over to Malam Jergus, taking effect, April 15 —

J. K's resignation — #4, Voted — the Station express its decided opinion that the Church be urged to accept Pastor J. K's resignation at once, and in good faith.

Calling a pastor for Mosul — Voted — the Station express its opinion that the Church and community in Mosul be left entirely free to their own action, in regard to calling a pastor.

Preacher in Mosul — #5 Voted — that the Church and Community in Mosul be invited to signify their wishes in regard to a preacher, until a pastor shall be secured; the aid of the Station being conditioned on our approval of the person selected —

Conference in Mosul — #6, Voted — that the Station signify its approval of the plan of Mr. Ee holding a conference with the native brethren in Mosul — looking to plans, and estimates for future work —

Salys — #7, Voted — that Salyé be paid until June 30/84.

Runnya — #8, Voted — that Runnya return to Mardin with the returning Missionary —

R. R. in Mosul — Voted — the item of 200 piasters expended by Mr. Dewey on R & R in Mosul be approved and accepted —

Voted — that Essia be continued in the Kabā-ā school.

Moved an adjournment, carried by a departing vote —

D. W. K. Thom. Secy.

Regular Station meeting in Thom's Study, Thursday P.M. Mch. 6/84 —

Opened with prayer, minutes of last two meetings read and approved —

Stone — Voted — That the stone yet due on the F. R. F. be turned over to the community to help them build a room in the graveyard.

Adjourned. D. W. K. Thom, Secy.

Monday, March, 10th 1884.

Extra Session in Andrus Study - To consider letters from Kulleth - Calling for some of the missionaries to visit them, as there were a number of Syrians desiring to become Protestants (?) It was Voted, Messrs A. & A. visit them and see what there is in the report, will go to morrow, accompanied by Pastor & Sadu Perr Khan - Kulleth

Thom. Secl.

Special Session of Station Wed. Eve'g Mch, 26/84. In Ainslie's Parlor, Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved -

Kulleth trip Expenses of Andrus, Ainslie, Pastor, and Sadu ~~Dyd~~ Perr Khan, were audited and accepted viz. 204 p. Kulleth

Mirza, Teacher Yerda having taken to himself a wf. the matter of an increase of Saly. was brot up. and after some discussion it was agreed to make it 150 p a month from April 1st /84. Mirza

The propriety of a vacation for the Middle School for one week was brot up - and voted - beginning Friday Eve'g Mch. 28 - Middle School.

The case of Hanna Malcoha was then considered, It was voted he report himself at Azech, and there wait for further instructions - Malcoha.

Voted That Dewey be instructed to Wakoof the Mosul Mission property - and that he be telegraphed accordingly. ct. 5 - Property.

After a long discussion on Mosul affairs the following Preamble & Res - were adopted - That in view of the strong desire expressed by the Mosul Church and Community that Malam Housoon should be employed in some position affording him means of sustenance -

Res - That we afford the Mosul Ch. & Com. freedom Mosul

149 To employ him in any capacity they may desire at their own charges and responsibility.

Withdraw Malam Jurjis (S) — *[margin note]*

Voted – that Mr. Dewey also be advised of the readiness of the Station to withdraw Malam Jurjis from Employment in the Mosul Ch. & Com. and to employ him in colporteuring or other work in Mosul or vicinity, pending the decision of Ani'l [?] Meeting if he can come to no satisfactory arrangement with them in regard to him.

Approved

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom Sec't —

Regular Station Meeting. Thursday P.M.
— April 3d 1884 —

Met in Gates Study. Opened with prayer. minutes of last meeting read and approved —

H.w. [?] of Merza. rel. to Hidayat – 65 $ approved —

Merza Kev [?] / Karatash School — *[margin note]*

Voted – Karatash School (Boys) be continued to the last of May —

Stephan — *[margin note]*

Letter read from Stephan, Mansuriah Jezira – represents the condition of the place as hopeless, and begs to be removed to another quarter – does not approve of being connected with the Oroomiah Mission – turned over to the Arabic Scribe – recommended to correspond with the aforesaid Mission —

Sert — *[margin note]*

Letter from Ch. & Com. Sert – nothing special —

Yusof Ohan — *[margin note]*

Letter from Yusof Ohan – Complaining of his treatment at the hands of some of the Com. —

Mr. Andrus a little under the weather. Mr. Gates' mind wa[illegible] Mr. Ainslie absent in Jebel Toor. Jours truly sleep[illegible]

Approved

Adjourned — D. M. B. Thom Sect.

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Special Meeting. Saturday A.M. 4/12/84
Held in Gates Study - Opened with prayer -
Mr Drwye letter taken up & discussed - and the
following action taken - Voted that we
approve of the occupation of the Mohalleh el Kalaat,
If a cheaper house cannot be found, secure
the one mentioned in his letter of April 5/84.
No further business -
Adjourned. Danl Thom
Sect

Approved

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Special Meeting of Station, Tuesday 15/84
In Thoms Study - Opened with prayer, The was
called to take action on a tel. from the Kutterbull Church, inviting the convention to meet
with them,
Altho decided last week we would have no
convention at present, but in view of this warm
invitation, it was accepted & Voted that a Convention of the Churches be held in A. on Wed. May 7/84.
Also Voted that the Station assist the Ch's
to meet the exp. of the parties sent to the Con.
And that Mosul, Sect, be telegraphed to -
Voted - Some new windows be supplied to
the Andrus & Ainslie's houses -
Adjourned - D. M. B. Thom, Sect.

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Special Meeting of Station Saturday P.M.
April 19/84

Met in Ainslie's Study, Opened by prayer & ...
minutes of last 3 meetings read & approved.
Ainslie's Jebel Toor trip expences audited & accepted 232.05 p. Also Jiji M. Dowey's 24 p. home from Hassan Kafe 35. p.

Jebel Toor

Mr. A. then took up Jebel Toor the evening was pleasantly passed in discussing its merits & demerits - the two A's taking the lead in the discussion, Mr. G. dreaming over what he had done during the day - The result of all our labors was a Vote that Khuzma - female teacher at Kerborau be granted a vacation of one month from May 1st.

Khuzma

Approved

Adjourned. G. M. D. Thom. Secy

Regular Station Meeting April 24/84. In Andrus Study - Opened by prayer - minutes of last meeting read and approved -

Voted - to accept the payment of the 195 piasters by Thom & the 5. by Gates for the Cow of Jim D. Wey, to Hassan Kafe

Jim Dewey's 24 p & Hassan Kafe

Voted. That Andrus & Gates represent the Station at the coming Convention of the Congregational Churches - of the Mardin field - to be held in Kuttarbul May 1st/84 -

Convention in Kuttarbul

Voted. That Muxie Dide be allowed 10 p a month the in payment for teaching Mrs. Gates one hour a day in Arabic - The amount to be paid from Education -

Muxie Dide

Voted Mr. Andrus write Dr. Clark the detale of the reasons for voting the 100£ to Mosul when they did — as a station letter — Mosul

moved we adjourn — adjourned

D. M. B. Thom, Secty.

Special Station Meeting held May 7/84, in Thom's Study — Opened by prayer.

The Subjects for consideration were 1) Shemmon teacher Midyat, who has again been accused of short comings — Mucho Isho reported him as visiting the Donach, when the female teachers are, remaining until midnight — Also his having some intimacy with a fast character — and further that he visited Ohan on the Sabbath to see about the selling of a fig. &c Shemmon

The best solution of the question we could come to in the absence of the accused — was a vote to the effect, "he be telegraphed too to come to Mardin at once, and that Mucho Isho remain here until he arrives.

2) Kerboran, the building there was considered, But no satisfactory conclussion come to, for two reasons, 1) In the absence of any certain knowledge in regard to the amount of funds in hand & No Stad can be secured at present, Kerboran

Finally it was decided to write to Midyat, have them see what they could do there - & report —

adjourned — D. M. B. Thom

Secty.

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Informal Sitting Morning May 13th, in Ainslie's Study — To see Shemoon and hear his defence — As closely as he could be examined he gave pretty flat contradiction to all he was accused of — even to Mucho Isho face. The case was closed for further evidence — Shemoon allowed a vacation until Saturday noon. Mucho Isho given permission to return to Midyat, Shemoons Exp allowed 27½ —

Adjourned. D. W. B. Thom Sec'y

Regular Station Meeting Thu. P.M. May 15/84 held in Andrus Study — Opened by prayer — Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
The Exp. of Ainslie and Thom in meeting the Mosul party 103½ piasters allowed —
We then heard the reading of the document rec'd from Church and Com. in Mosul accepting the resignation of Pastor Jergis Keoorshow —
Dewey's Exp. from Mosul to Mardin were audited & accepted — amounting in gold to 135 8½
Voted. That Freytag — the binding of the same be paid by Education. 60. gold.
Voted — That the goods left in Mosul by Dewey be owned & paid for by Touring 498⅞ — Also R.R. 75¼ — and that Dewey be paid the same —
Voted — The Med. & Phys. attendance of Dewey's family in their last two illness — 21 visits ~~$5.00 gold~~ be paid by Med. Dept.
Voted — That Bahia Jerjor be sent to Rerboran to put up the building for the teacher there, and that the grant raised of 7.50 ~~...~~ asked for that purpose be spent accordingly.
Voted — That the Theol School have a vacation

from May 15th to 31st with the following distribution of Students. Nerboran, Mardo, Kabaa Isya, East End Abshara-Kullath, Yasee, Asnoor & Vicinity, Ishak, Goley, Ammoos

Voted. Thom, Dewey and Ainslie represent the Station at the coming Annual Meeting—

Voted- That we appreciate the generous proposal of Dr Bliss for settlement of the Bagdad book ac, sparing us much labor and annoyance in reviewing and making up the same and tender him our hearty thanks therefor—

Voted, That Shemoon, Goleyite be dropped from the work—from date, May 17/83.

Voted: The Station proceed to a consideration of Estimates for /85 ——

Res:- That in view of the increasing poverty of the Mardin church and community, and the prospect of their consequent inability to increase their contributions for the coming year; we ask the Mission to recommend to the P. C. the payment of a sum equal to 5% of the whole amount to be expended for the Mardin work, if requested by the Station —— addopted ——

Voted- That Shemas Toma be authorized to sell the Mission property in Kaaba——

Voted- That Hanna Malcha be requested to open school in Azoch on receipt of this notice at a saly of 160 per month from April 1/84,

Voted- that no advance be made to any helpers—aside from the advance made in the fall as heretofore arranged—

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Extra Session — May 23/84

Masul Communication — Voted — Mr Andrus be a com'e to draw up a letter in answer to the Masul Communication from Ch'd Com to be presented to the mission for their approval —

1000 Con'g for Midyat — Voted — that a contingent of 1000 £ be asked from the mission for a house in Midyat for the helpers

Approved

Annual Meeting — The E. T. Mission held its 21st Annual Session in Mardin, begining May 19th closing May 26th 1884. It was from beginning to end a feast of fat things — Present from abroad, Mr and Mrs Browne & 3 Children, Misses Bush, Seymour & Wright, Mr and Mrs Cole & 2 Children and Dr. Raynolds

Aid to the Mardin Com'y — The Station took action during the session on the following: viz Communication from the Mardin Church and Community — asking aid for a School building. It was at first decided no aid could be granted at the present time — but was reconsidered and a contingent of £250 — was asked for — they putting in £100 —

Masul — Also — The Masul question, It was decided that at present the Station did not see its way clear to locate one or more Missionaries in Masul, ~~at present~~ — but continue to hope that in the near future this wish may be realized. For the present the work to continue as heretofore — Also the balance £137.58 in Md. Dep. Dec 31/83 was voted to Cancel the 100 £ & the rest for repairs &c &c

Extra Session - held in Andrus Study

May 28th 1884 - Opened with prayer - minutes of last meeting read and approved -

Midyat was taken up and discussed, & Voted, That the Station approve Mr Ainslie's going on at once, to superintend the changes and improvements necessary for the house.

The "Kassed" came to return Mr. A's call - so the meeting adjourned.

D. M. B. Thom
Secty -

Station Meeting -

Voted - That the closing of the schools, Theo. & Middle be coterminous. - Closing School.

Voted - The Station approve of Mr. Andrus visiting Sert after the close of school - to look after the building of the new house - Andrus Visit Sert.

Voted - We endeavor to open school in Midyat Oct. 1st and that Milkie Hannosh be placed in the school as teacher on trial - School at Midyat -

Voted - Andrus & Gates expenses to the Conference amounting to 218/4 p. be approved and accepted. Conference exp. -

Voted - The exp. of delegates in port - to the Conference amounting to 202/2 be approved and accepted.

Voted - Khunuma be dismissed from the work at present - paying her to June 12/84 - Khunuma.

Voted - Rachial be removed from Kulleth to Brunaball - and that her exp be met by the Female Department. - Rachial.

Approved

adjourned -

D. M. B. Thom.
Secl.

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Extra Session Station Meeting held in Mr. Ainslie's Study – June 1/84.

Opened with prayer

Mr. Gates opened the business by moving his resignation as to further care of the garden accepted.

Garden

It was then Voted Mr. Ainslie take charge of it for the remainder of the year. When matters for repair were brought up – It was Voted the Memaker of the upper house be repaired – and a kitchen built –

Close Schools

Voted – The Thiol & Middle schools close their present session Friday July 11/84. To be opened again Sept. 15th –

Voted to reconsider the previous vote of opening the Midyat school Oct. 1st.

Midyat School

Voted – That the Midyat School open Aug. 15th and unless an avg. attendance be present for Aug. & Sept. they will be obliged to pay the Saly of the teacher for that time –

The disposition of forces was talked over but nothing arrived at –

Approved

Adjourned – D. W. B. Thom
Sect. –

Regular Station Meeting in Andrus Study – May 19/84. – Minutes of last meeting read and accepted – A warm discussion over the action of the Kallaat-Marro people towards their preacher – with an effort at an explanation, afterwhich letters from Malam Jergus was read and the following action taken in answer to some of the questions –

Mosul School

Voted The Mosul Schools have a vacation not to exceed a month

and at the time when they think best.

Voted - that Jerges be informed that it is expected he will remain in or around Mosul. That a Missionary or two will visit there during the coming winter, No house to be rented - nor are we in a condition to buy a house at present. Mosul Matters

Voted - an item of 48 belonging to book department of 48 piastres be paid for by Touring - B. D.

Voted. The balance 900 still due on school building in Midyat be paid for out of the house building fund - and close the acc - Debt on Midyat be paid

Voted. A letter from Dariki be laid on the table for future action - Dariki

Voted - we adjourn until Saturday 7½ A.M.

Adjourned - D. M. B. Thom, Secy.

Special Meeting in Gates Study June 21/84.

Opened with prayer - Unfinished business was taken up - viz - letter from Dariki -

Voted - That Mr. Dewey & Mr. Ainslie visit D. Dariki

Ishack - Student in Theol Class - having a matter he desired to bring before the meeting, presented himself - begging that he might be allowed to take his bride at once, that the talk which is in circulation about them be put a stop to - Ishack

It was moved & second that this matter do not come before the Station. Lost - After a long talk it was Voted - That he be urged strongly to adhere to his promise made at the beginning to Mr Andrus. Mr Andrus to notify him of the vote -

Voted - That Jerges be notified to inform the Mosul Community - that if it is considered desirable to continue Mansure longer in the work in Telkaif - the Station will aid in his Salary - for the remainder of the year - Mosul

Voted - That the time the regular meeting be changed to Tuesday 6½ P.M. hereafter - Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom. Secy. Change of time of meeting

Regular Station Meeting in Thom's Study June 24/84. Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Andrus reported his interview with Isaac and Hane &c &c, the sum of which was marriage or break the engagement. He, Mr. A., and all the others with whom he talked, thought marriage was the best solution of the question.

Ishak & Hane

Mr. Gates presented the following preamble and Res. which was adopted. Yes. Messrs Gates, Andrus & Dewey. Nays Ainslie & Thom.

Mr. Andrus having communicated the sentiment of the majority of the Station to Ishak & Hane, and they being still desirous of marrying for what seems to them good and sufficient reasons.

Res. That while we are of the opinion that it would be more profitable for them to abide by the original agreement disregarding the insinuations and gossip of malicious men, we shall yet leave them to act according to their own judgment, only recommending them to make a careful and prayerful reconsideration of the whole subject.

Eskoff J.

Voted: That Mr. Andrus be a com'e to interview Eskoff Jergus in regard to acting preacher in Sert for a term of 6 months or so.

Mugie Gibbie

Voted: Mugie Gibbie's case be tabled.

A resolution on the distribution of forces was brot up after a time, was tabled until next meeting.

accepted

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom. Sec't.

Regular Station Meeting in Ainslie's Study Tuesday Ev'g July 1/84.

Opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved—

Muzie Gibbie was taken from the table - and after handling him for a time was retabled—

Muzie Gibbie.

Thoms Res:- for the distribution of forces was then taken up, skimed - bored and droped. when Mr. Dewey presented following which was

Voted - Whereas:- The plan first proposed for the distribution of our forces for the ensuing season proves impracticable; Therefore Resolved:- That Mr. Andrus continue in charge of the Theol Sem but spend half the time in the field, alternating with Mr Gates; Mr Dewey assist in the Sem - & Mr. Ainslie work in the field

Dewey's Res distribution of forces

Then the matter of Azoch was taken up and the following vote taken:- That we approve Hanna Malzahas purchasing the property spoken of in his letter of June 20. at a price not to exceed 15 £ he to guarantee the same as property of the missionaries to be used for school & worship purposes — The funds used being private—

Azoch

Letters were then read from Monsoor & Jurgus. And the following action taken—

Voted:- Moallim Monsoor informing him that we desire and hope for the continuance of evangelical work in Tel Kaif. Tho. the arrangements for that must be thro' the community in Mosul. & urging him to all energy & earnestness in preaching the simple Gospel of Christ—

Monsoor

Thom presented a statement of exps of touring for the last 6 months - was voted Mr Gates Audit.

Touring

1:1— Voted:- further repair on the Midyat house be stoped at present, except removing the rasef - puting dirt instead & the schingi will be repaired.

Midyat House

Adjourned— D. M. B. Thom. Sect.

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Regular Station Meeting
in Andrus Study
Tuesday P.M.
July 8.
1884.

Opened with prayer. minutes of last meeting read and approved—

O/c of Treas

Thom presented a statement of a/c of premises for the last 6 months— Voted the Trea audit the a/c. Mr. Gates having been desirous for some time to be relieved of the heavy responsibility connected with the Book department— presented his resignation this evng, which was accepted— It was then Voted Mr. Dewey resume his former relations to said department—

Gates resig

Dewey's appt

Pastor's to meet with Missionaries

After some discussion it was Voted Pastors Jergus Hadie Aboosh, Hannosh & Malam Yus. of Esa— be invited to sit with the Missionaries to-morrow evening— & consider the disposition of the Students during vacation— a step towards coöperation!!

Palann for Andrus nag

Voted— the Station furnish Mr. Andrus grey nag with a Palann— to be used on his prospective journey Westward— A feeling of unrest seemed to take possession of the meeting about this time— & a motion for ajournment was reluctantly put by the Chair— Which was carried— Adjourned— D. M. B. Thom.
Sec't.

Thom's birth day (40)

N. B. On the return of the Sec't to his house the unrest which showed itself in the meeting was accounted for. The Station had taken possession of his rooms, and at once commenced congratulating him on his very great age— being his 40th birth-day! We had an extremely pleasant evng. Ice cream & a social time— an evening long to be remembered by the boy that has started down the "stream of time"—
D. M. B. T.

Special Station Meeting
In Gates Study
Friday Afternoon
July 11/84

Cooperation

Opened with prayer - present - Pastors Jorgus Hannosh, Aboosh, and Malam Yusef - The subject before the meeting was the distribution & Saly of the Thologs for the vacation season - two months - The following conclussion in regard to them was harmoniously arrived at -

Thologs for vac.

Saly. Gardo - for the time - 320 p. Caber. Issia 350. Batie. Amoos 140; Azoch. Abshara 350; Touring "
Elias 350; East End City. Ischa 260; = 1630 - for the vacation -

Voted - That the extra funds for freight &c now in the hands of the Tra - when Audited - be divided amongst the members of the Station according to each ones share -

Freight &c

Voted: - That section 4th of conditions of entry to middle school be changed to 2 piasters the first school day of each week -

Middle School Entry fee

Voted - That Muxie Side be invited to accompany Mr. Andrus on his tour to Sert and that a sum of not to exceed 400 p. from Govt funds be expended towards his expenses -

Sert trip

Voted: - That the Station approve of Mr. Dewey taking a trip during the summer for health sake

Voted - The balance for Sert building fund be placed in Mr. Andrus hands - to be expended on building there,

Dewey trip.

Voted - That the a/c of Sem for the first 6 mos of 1884 having been audited & found correct - be accepted & placed on file -

Touring a/c

Voted: - That the amount expended by Med Dept on the room by the door in the Corner house be refunded, and that the room be given up for the use of the house -

Med Dept.

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Door — Voted:– A new door for the Mistle Yard; from Touring–

Mid School — Voted:– That the 3 Students now in Middle School be invited to return the coming year.= viz–
Abdlahad, Darik, Selsem Mardin, Jusuf Goley

Mdl School — Voted:– That Tomas Kutterbul, Hanna Eskoff, Ellias Selsem Sert, Hanna Iso, Hanoosh Birro – be invited to return to Middle School.
Adjourned–
D. M. B. Thom – Sec.

Sept. 5/84 — Special Meeting in Gates Parlor (?) Sept. 5/84. Thom in the Chair, Opened with prayer. Took up the most pressing things for consideration, (viz) Milke Hanoosh was assigned to Sert as teacher of boys School on a Saly of 1200 p a year, to go at once.

Milkie Hanoosh / Toma — Toma Kutterbull, was telegraphed to come to School with the others, also a letter written urging Aboosh in the matter of sending her, also Tomas – Karabosh was written to, urging them to make an effort to secure some one from their midst to teach their boys & girls school – as it is impossible for us to send any one.

Issia — Issia of Kaaba was invited to attend the Middle School on trial – we to aid him to the am't of 10 p a week.

Rumia — Rumia of Mosul was asked to come to Mardin the first opportunity – as it seems impossible for her & the community to get along peaceably, The Megless also written to, notifying them of our Decision.

R.R. — Expended on the girls School 121 1/2 p. from ....., approved –
Adjourned: D. M. B. Thom
Sec.

A Sitting in Aug. 7/84. 164

Karabash com. to be aided only to the end of July = Karabash

Mr Andrus motion for aid for Hassan Kofe com, lost = H. K.

Voted. that the houses be repaired this fall and the amt. charged to H. K. with explanations in the Annual meeting [illegible] H. K.

July 29 – 1884

Voted: To assist the Mosul Community 200 p a month for the last five months of the current year, for the purpose of keeping Monsoor [illegible] employed in Tel Kofe – Mosul Com.

In Thom's Study Sept. 9/85.

Miss Pratt desired the advice of the station as to the advisability of accepting as a day boarder Kharbo girl on trial for one year and if then thought best, for her to teach, if the consent of those concerned are obtained to this – Girls School

Lucy to return to Midyat for the time being (B)

Coöperation Meeting held in the church Sept. 22d 1884 – Present Gates, Pastor Jergus, Malaum Yusoof, Bohi & Antone –

Kullith was considered. In view of the fact the com. did not fulfill their part of the bargain we deem it for the best interests of both Pastor and people to remove the former from their midst. And give him a choice of two places Holy and Azach – Also thought for the best interests of Diarike for the pastor to exchange for a time, with the Karabash pastor – Kullith Diarik

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Visit Kullatt Marra

A Comit. consisting of the Pastor & one or two others were appointed to visit Kullatt Marra & examine into the work of the preacher there — Adjourned to meet Wed. P.M.

D. M. B. Thom Sec'y.

Cooperation Sitting Wed. Sept. 24/84

Boarding School

Behnam

Discussed the matter of a boarding School but came to no definite conclussion — Behnam was then taken up — It was decided the rules of the School could not be broken over if he remained in School — nor could we furnish him work out-side, a Comit was appointed to inform him of the decision of the sitting — We arose — later Behnam concluds to remain in School.

Thom Sec'y.

Tuesday. Sept 30/84

عيد القربان

I made calls on the following high functionaries during عيد القربان Mutissraf. Rais El Billadee. Kasha. Muhasabgee. Muftie. Fuad Effidie. Khalell Effendie, Beit Haj Yozee. Rais El Thana. Shiech Jezzrah (3). Imile Effendie — Cost 50 piasters.

D. M. B. Thom

Cooperation Meeting Friday P.M. Oct. 3/84. at the house of Malam Yusuf

His Tour

Mikkie Morina.

Opened by prayer, Present Pastor, Malam Yusef. Bohir Antone — Ainslie. Coles & Scribe Ainslie gave an account of his Tour to K. & M. His Exp. amounting to 202½ In connection with his exp. came up a request from Malam Mikkie Morina for aid for the Keer of his family to Mosul was voted in the negative — with a promise, said

when they returned—
The man proposed by Mr. Andrus for the Middle School was negatived—& the girl was accepted— Man for M.S.
Pastor Hammosh was asked to come to Mardin for consultation— Pastor Hammosh
Special votes—Shemas Mardross to not called back to finish his Theol course—carried— Mardross
Voted. we pay the Kw— of Lucy & Bert, Mr. Andrus & try collect 1/2 or more from the community for Her Saly & begin when She begins school— Lucy

Thom Scribe—

Cooperation Sitting—Friday
Afternoon in Thom's Study—Oct. 10/84—
Opened with prayer—Minutes of last meeting read and after correction—approved—It was voted E. S. School
Shimie Murad Continue in the School on east side until close of present month—When the Infant S. should Close—& Millie take the S. on E. side—
Eskoff Elliés being present—he was called upon to give us an acc of the Condition of the Ch. & Com. Eskoff E
in Kulleth. He confirmed all that had been heard in regard to them—and stated that his longer stay with them was worse than useless—The statement was reiterated that he should at once remove from there. He choosing Goly as his future place—Saly 225.
Yordo's Case was then taken up—and designated to Kaaba—on a saly of 160 per month. Yordo to Kaaba
No further business coming before the meeting—we adjourned—D. M. B. Thom Secty—

Bedross Redwan

Vote. Mislaid. Bedross of Redwan appointed to Jezerah. his Saly 3/4 L.T. It to be accounted for out side of Mission funds until Jan. 1/85. When 2 £ of it will be paid from the Saly of gen'l helpers & 1/4 £ to be drawn on the Oroomiah Mission (?) His Saly to begin +

Conference.

Mr Gates using the power invested in him! began the helpers' Conference Friday 17th after a summer vacation — Many were present or not, I do not know —;

Mardo. Kabaa.

Mardo and family left for Kabaa today Oct. 20th. Paid on his Rev. 119/2

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— Oct. 22nd 1884 —

Dewey's Return.

W. C. Dewey, who has been absent for nine weeks on a teething expedition — returned tonight — bringing with him Miss Sears — who has been absent in the Home land for a year & a half — Both looking better for having been absent — thrice welcome back again

— " —

Voted to aid the Community

Vote Mislaid —. Voted we appropriate 750 ₤ (the amt in bag) to help build a room, in front of present middle school room — in the city — Said room to be put up at once —

Extra Session Station meeting held in Drury's Study. Oct. 23d 1884

Opened with prayer — Bates appointed to the chair —

A letter from the Sert Church and Com, was taken up for consideration, but for lack of sufficent data was laid on the table — Sert Letter

Voted: Side Effendi be paid 700 piasters from the Govt. funds additional to what Mr. Andrus has already paid — provided the appr. be not sufficent to meet all the exp. the bal. be charged to the Sert building fund. Side Effendi

Voted: That the traveling exp. of Miss Sears from ~~Sivas~~ Constantinople to Mardin 16.15 (gold) be approved and charged back to Boston — Sears Exp.

Voted: The white horse bought by Drury be turned over to Touring @ ~~740~~ 740 (gold) & other exp 20½ and that he be sold for what he will bring when we get through with him. White Horse

Voted: That the Mosul Ch. & com be informed On acct of the absence of two of the Station, a visit to them has been delayed — But will yet be accomplished D.V. before the winter sets in And that in the meantime they make what arrangements are necessary. Mosul Visit (5)

Mardin, Nov. 19., 1884.

Sec'y Pro Tem.

Station Meeting in Dewey's study, all the members being present except Dr. Thom, absent at Kharpût. After prayer by Mr. Andrus, Mr. Dewey was asked to act as Sec'y pro. tem., & minutes of the meetings of Oct. 22, & 23 were read, corrected, & approved.

Care of House Midyat

Care of the Midyat house came up, & it was decided that the monthly wages of Abdallah should be charged to Rents & Repairs, the amount to be entered with other items in a deficiency bill to be brought before the next Annual Meeting. Also, that Abdallah be paid 100 p. for roof rolling this winter in addition to his monthly wage of 35 p. for taking care of the house.

Ainslie & Gates' accts. Touring

Ainslie's account of 127½ p. on trip to Dariki, & Gates's account of 107¾ p. on trip to Kulleth & Midyat were approved.

Additional Taxes.

Statement from Treas. in regard to additional sums demanded for taxes. Decided that the 6% additional for school purposes amounting to about 60 p. be paid, but that the taxes on house opposite pastor's be not paid, on the ground that the Community having free use of the premises ought to meet the taxes.

Karabash

Letter from Karabash church mejlis was read, calling for the return of pastor Hanoosh. Voted, to reply that the strongest inducement for his return will be their raising arrearages of his salary & giving satisfactory assurances for the future.

Mosul

Mosul matters were taken up, the Community's acceptance of Jurjis as preacher until a missionary comes noted, Jurjis's plan for a high school, & various letters on the condition of affairs read. The question of a visit thither being under consideration, a communication from Dr. Thom was read, protesting against one missionary only going as not likely to meet the expectations of the brethren there, & giving his vote for Mr. Andrus & Mr. Ainslie as representatives of the station in the proposed visit.

Dr. T's Vote.

Voted, That but one missionary go, & pastor 'Aboshe of Kutturbul be invited to accompany him.

Gates to go, & 'Aboshe

Voted, That Mr Gates go, & be advised to go as soon as possible, & return as soon as possible.

Voted, That Mosul assume 'Aboshe's entire salary

from leaving Kutterbul until his return; that Mardiros be transferred to Kutterbul during A's absence, & the church asked to meet half his salary for that time; that Isaya be asked to teach in Ka'abe during Merdiros's absence at 75 p. a month to be paid from Education. | Kutterbul while A. is gone | Ka'abe

Adjourned till tomorrow, 1 P.M.

Coöperation Meeting, p.m. — | Coöperation Meeting

Present, Andrus, Dewey, Gates, — Pastors Jurjis & Hanoosh, Baki Speer, Mukdasy Antone, & Bedros Effendi of Redwan.

Decided to send a letter to the Kutterbul church in the name of the Evangelical Union, asking them to assent to 'Aboshe's going to Mosul, & to assume half of Mardiros's salary while with them. | Letter to Kutterbul

Also, that Hanoosh spend some time visiting the churches. | Hanoosh

Also, to inform the Karabash community that when all are united on one person for teacher of the boys' school we are ready to aid them as before intimated 50 p. per mo. | Karabash School.

Thurs. p.m., Nov. 20, 1884.

Meeting in Dewey's study. 'Abd el Ahad Khudhesha presses his request (already refused) for permission to go to his brother's wedding at Diarbekir. Not acceded to. | 'Abd el Ahad's request.

Yusef 'Isay made a statement in regard to the Theol. Students, — their pressing needs, & conduct. After his withdrawal & full discussion, — | Theological Students

Voted, — That the weekly allowance to the Theol. Students stand as in the Estimates, but in view of exceptional circumstances we make a special grant for each of these last two years of their course of two & one half liras to each married man, & one & a quarter to Bahni Sheha, single.

Conference was held with Bedros Effendi in regard to a letter from him in regard to the conditions of his employment at Jezireh. Conclusion, — he will make trial on 3/4 L. per mo., though he regards it insufficient, an attendant to be provided, — house rent, travelling & postage expenses to be paid by Mission. | Bedros Effendi.

Adjourned till Sat. 8 A.M.

Approved.

Sat. Morn., Nov. 22, 1884.

Hanooshi's Salary.

Met in Dewey's study. Agreed that Hanooshi's salary while in our direct employ continue at 200 per mo. Also, that

Superfluous stock, Book Dept.

the Curator of the Book Dept. be authorized to dispose of superfluous & damaged stock on hand at his discretion. Also, that the Syriac S.S. remaining at Midyat be given to the Young Men's Society there.

Andruses Sert bill

Treasurer presented Mr. Andruses bill for his Sert trip.
Voted, That charges for telegrams entered under Gov't Work be transferred to Postage. (209 p. gold)
Voted, That his charges for Touring (1052), Education (647), Postage as revised (233), be allowed, & 281 p. of the charge for Gov't Work, this being the amount of the unexpended balance for this item from appropriations for the current year.

Postage.

Voted, To allow Mr. Dewey 43 1/4 p. for postage in Mosul additional to previous amount. Also, agreed to draw all but 2 1/2 % of appropriation for current year.
Voted, To advance Bedros Effendi's salary for Jan., with 1 1/2 L. for Dec. on account of Broomiah.

Expenses Pastor Elyas.

Voted, To allow pastor Elyas semi animals for trip from Kulleth to Goeli (119 p. raij), & in view of the circumstances 59 p. additional, with exchange 4. Total, 182.

Janitor Theol. Seminary.

Voted, To employ Ishak as janitor of the Theol. Sem. at 2 1/2 p. per wk, continuing arrangements with Isya (3) & Abd el Ahad (2).
After some informal discussion of Mosul & Midyat letters,

adjourned.

Tuesday. P.M. Nov. 27. 18..

Touring a/c.

Met in Thom's Study. Opened with prayer. Sundry items for Touring were presented & adopted amtg to 92 piasters. Rev. J. Bedrose & Jeg. 50 p. approved. Tel. tring rec'd during the session from Abroosh. Stating he could not accompany Mr. Gates to Mosul. It was

Pastor Jergas.

Voted, with two dissenting voices, that Pastor Jergas Hadia of Mardin be invited to accompany him,

Mosul.

Voted: That Mr. Gates be instructed to use the balance of funds now in hand for the Mosul house, provided a clear title be secured.

Saidy Azoch.

Voted, Saidy of Azoch be allowed a Saly of 40 p a month for six months from date of notice.

On Cooperation.

Voted, That the representatives on the Com. of the Ev. Union be requested to formulate a plan of Cooperation, and submit the same to the Stations at an early meeting.

Adjourned. D.M.B. Thom Sec.

— Election as follows —

Chairman A. N. Andrus.
Secretary - D. M. B. Thom.
Treasurer - W. C. Dewey.
Auditor - J. A. Ainslie.
Med. Dept - D. M. B. Thom
Post Master A. N. Andrus
Book Dept - W. C. Dewey.
Stable & Touring. D. M. B. Thom.
Premises. D. M. B. Thom.
Garden J. A. Ainslie.
Govt work } A. N. Andrus.
Ab. Secy. }
Principal - Middle School. Dewey also represent the Station in School Court.

1885.

Station Meeting Dec. 4. 1884 —

Opened by prayer - Minutes of former meeting read by Mr & approved —

Voted: - 52.ρ. be allowed Mosul for postage for 1885. — *Postage Mosul*

Voted: — That a set of Arb. Geoph. Charts be secured for Middle School. ½ of exp. from Book Dept. ~~opp. for~~ the other half from from fund for running exp. of School — *Geo. Charts.*

Voted: — Mr. Dewey be allowed to settle all outstanding acc. of the Book Dept. for the best interests of same — *Book Accounts.*

Voted: — That the acc. for the first ½ of the year of Govt. work grant in aid for books, school acc. & Postage, be handed to the Auditor for examination — *Accounts fr Jan. to July. 1884*

Voted: - That the acc of Mucho Asho from Midyat be accepted. Adjourned. Thom. Secy.

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Kuterbull school

Station Meeting. Dec, 11th/84 –

In Andrus Study. Opened by prayer –

A letter from Aboosh (Elder) asking four questions all pertaining to schools. Answered by the following

Voted:– To reply to letter from Kutterbul, that we wish them to see what arrangements they can make for schools & report for our approval. Advising that the boys & girls be brought together under one teacher. –

Khugma to Midyat.

Voted:– After considerable discussion. That Khugma be sent on to Midyat at once, on trial, to labor among the women, @ 70 p a month –

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom Sect.

Station Meeting. Dec, 18th/84

In Dewey's Study. Opened by prayer.

The matter of Nellie Hashesh referred to Cooperation meeting –

Vacation of school. and Distribution.

Voted:– That the Theologs have a vacation from Jan 1st to 14th of same. Distribution of forces for the week of prayer, & week following. Thus – Kulleth J. A. Ainslie & Miss Pratt. Midyat A. N. Andrus and Ellias – Kutterbul, W. C. Dewey and Abshara. Bennibell. Ed Goly. Bahmann. East Mardin Issia Diarik Asak –

Pail for school.

Voted:– A Pail be secured for the students for their well. Should it get lost or broken the price of it to be taken from them.

Lock for Midyat.

Voted:– A lock for the house in Midyat be secured – & chd. to K.R. –

Adjourned. D. M. B. Thom Sect

Station Meeting. Dec. 25/85.

In Dewey's Study – opened with prayer, minutes of last meeting read and approved,

∴ Voted: The ten pounds ask for the garden for /85 be transfered to R. & R. if the Mission give permission –

The rest of the session was spent in looking over the appropriations for /85 –

Adjourned. Thom. Secty.

1884

Closes. Ma-salama!!

Some time before the departure of Mr. Gates for Mosul a Vote was taken in regard to Aleppo, whether the Station would be willing to furnish a man in case the Board saw fit to occupy it, in the near future, The Vote was taken in answer to a privat letter to Mr. Gates.

Aye	Nays
Gates.	Andrus.
Dewey.	Thom.
Ainslie.	